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THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

TOGETHER WITH

THE PSALTER OR PSALMS OF DAVID

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AN ACT FOR THE UNIFORMITY OF COMMON PRAYER, AND SERVICE IN THE CHURCH, AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS.

PRIMO ELIZABETHÆ.

WHERE at the death of our late Sovereign Lord King *Edward* the Sixth, there remained one uniform Order of Common Service and Prayer, and of the Administration of Sacraments, Rites and Ceremonies in the Church of *England*, which was set forth in one Book, intituled, *The Book of Common Prayer, and Administration of Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies in the Church of* England, Authorized by Act of Parliament, holden in the fifth and sixth Years of our said late Sovereign Lord King *Edward* the Sixth, intituled, *An Act for the Uniformity of Common Prayer, and Administration of the Sacraments;* The which was repealed, and taken away by Act of Parliament, in the first Year of the Reign of our late Sovereign Lady Queen *Mary*, to the great decay of the due honour of God, and discomfort to the Professors of the Truth of Christ's Religion:

Be it therefore Enacted by the Authority of this present Parliament, That the said Statute of Repeal, and every thing therein contained, only concerning the said Book, and the Service, Administration of Sacraments, Rites and Ceremonies, contained or appointed in or by the said Book, shall be void and of none effect, from and after the Feast of the Nativity of St. *John Baptist* next coming: and that the said Book with the Order of Service, and of the Administration of Sacraments, Rites and Ceremonies, with the Alterations and Additions therein added and appointed by this Statute, shall stand and be, from and after the said Feast of the Nativity of St. *John Baptist*, in full force and effect, according to the tenor and effect of this Statute: Any thing in the foresaid Statute of Repeal to the contrary notwithstanding.

And further be it Enacted by the Queen's Highness, with the assent of the Lords and Commons in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That all and singular Ministers in any Cathedral, or Parish-Church, or other place within this Realm of *England, Wales*, and the Marches of the same, or other the Queen's Dominions, shall from and after the Feast of the Nativity of St. *John Baptist* next coming, be bounden to say and use the Mattens, Evensong, Celebration of the Lord's Supper, and Administration of each of the Sacraments, and all their common and open Prayer, in such order and form as is mentioned in the said Book, so Authorized by Parliament in the said fifth and sixth Years of the Reign of King *Edward* the Sixth; with one alteration, or addition, of certain Lessons to be used on every Sunday in the Year, and the Form of the Litany altered and corrected, and two Sentences only added in the delivery of the Sacrament to the Communicants, and none other, or otherwise. And that if any manner of Parson, Vicar, or other whatsoever Minister, that ought or should sing or say Common Prayer mentioned in the said Book, or minister the Sacraments, from and after the Feast of the Nativity of St. *John Baptist* next coming, refuse to use the said Common Prayer, or to minister the Sacraments in such Cathedral or Parish Church, or other

places, as he should use to minister the same, in such order and form, as they be mentioned, and set forth in the said Book; or shall wilfully, or obstinately standing in the same, use any other Rite, Ceremony, Order, Form, or Manner of celebrating of the Lord's Supper, openly or privily, or Mattens, Evensong, Administration of the Sacraments, or other open Prayers, than is mentioned and set forth in the said Book, [*open Prayer in and throughout this Act, is meant that Prayer which is for others to come unto or hear, either in Common Churches, or Private Chapels, or Oratories, commonly called the Service of the Church*] or shall preach, declare or speak any thing in the derogation, or depraving of the said Book, or any thing therein contained, or of any part thereof, and shall be thereof lawfully convicted, according to the laws of this Realm, by verdict of twelve men, or by his own confession, or by the notorious evidence of the fact, shall lose and forfeit to the Queen's Highness, her Heirs and Successors, for his first Offence, the profit of all his Spiritual Benefices, or Promotions, coming or arising in one whole Year next after his Conviction: And also that the Person so convicted, shall for the same Offence suffer Imprisonment by the space of six Months, without Bail or Mainprise. And if any such Person, once convict of any Offence concerning the Premisses, shall after his first conviction eftsoons offend, and be thereof in form aforesaid lawfully convict; That then the same Person shall for his second Offence suffer Imprisonment by the space of one whole Year, and also shall therefore be deprived, *ipso facto*, of all his Spiritual Promotions, and, That it shall be lawful to all Patrons, or Donors of all and singular the same Spiritual Promotions, or of any of them, to present or collate to the same, as though the Person or Persons so offending were dead. And that if any such Person or Persons, after he shall be twice convicted in form aforesaid, shall offend against any of the Premisses the third time, and shall be thereof in form aforesaid lawfully convicted; That then the Person so offending, and convicted the third time, shall be deprived *ipso facto* of all his Spiritual Promotions, and also shall suffer Imprisonment during his life. And if the Person that shall offend, and be convicted in form aforesaid, concerning any of the Premisses, shall not be beneficed nor have any Spiritual Promotion, that then the same Person so offending and convict, shall for the first Offence suffer Imprisonment during one whole Year next after his said Conviction, without Bail or Mainprise. And if any such Person, not having any spiritual Promotion, after his first Conviction shall eftsoons offend in any thing concerning the Premisses, and shall in form aforesaid be thereof lawfully convicted, that then the same Person shall for his second Offence suffer Imprisonment during his Life.

And it is Ordained and Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Person or Persons whatsoever, after the said Feast of the Nativity of St. *John Baptist* next coming, shall in any Enterludes, Plays, Songs, Rhimes, or by other open Words declare or speak any thing in the derogation, depraving, or despising of the same Book, or of any thing therein contained, or any part thereof: or shall by open fact, deed, or by open threatnings, compel or cause, or otherwise procure or maintain, any Parson, Vicar, or other Minister in any Cathedral or Parish-Church, or in Chapel, or in any other place, to sing or say any common or open Prayer, or to minister any Sacrament otherwise, or in any other manner and form than is mentioned in the said Book; or that by any of the said means shall unlawfully interrupt, or let any Parson, Vicar, or other Minister, in any Cathedral or Parish-Church, Chapel, or any other place, to sing or say common and open Prayer, or to minister the Sacraments, or any of them, in such manner and form, as is mentioned in the said Book; that then every such Person, being thereof lawfully convicted, in form abovesaid, shall forfeit to the Queen our Sovereign Lady, her Heirs and Successors, for the first Offence, an hundred Marks. And if any Person or Persons, being once convict of any such Offence

eftsoons offend against any of the last recited Offences, and shall in form aforesaid be thereof lawfully convict; that then the same Person so offending, and convict, shall for the second Offence forfeit to the Queen our Sovereign Lady, her Heirs and Successors, four hundred Marks. And if any Person, after he in form aforesaid shall have been twice convict of any Offence concerning any of the last recited Offences, shall offend the third time, and be thereof in form abovesaid lawfully convict, that then every Person so offending and convict, shall for his third Offence, forfeit to our Sovereign Lady the Queen, all his Goods and Chattels, and shall suffer Imprisonment during his Life. And if any Person or Persons, that for his first Offence concerning the Premisses, shall be convict in form aforesaid, do not pay the Sum to be paid by virtue of his Conviction, in such manner and form, as the same ought to be paid, within six Weeks next after his Conviction; That then every Person so convict, and so not paying the same, shall for the same first Offence, instead of the said Sum, suffer Imprisonment by the space of six Months, without Bail or Mainprise. And if any Person or Persons, that for his second Offence concerning the Premisses, shall be convict in form aforesaid, do not pay the said Sum to be paid by virtue of his Conviction and this Estatute, in such manner and form as the same ought to be paid, within six Weeks next after his said second Conviction; That then every Person so convicted, and not so paying the same, shall for the same second Offence, in the stead of the said Sum, suffer Imprisonment during twelve Months, without Bail or Mainprise. And that from and after the said Feast of the Nativity of St. *John Baptist* next coming, all and every Person and Persons inhabiting within this Realm, or any other the Queen's Majesty's Dominions, shall diligently and faithfully, having no lawful or reasonable excuse to be absent, endeavour themselves to resort to their Parish-Church or Chapel accustomed, or upon reasonable let thereof, to some usual place, where Common Prayer, and such Service of God, shall be used in such time of let, upon every Sunday, and other days ordained and used to be kept as Holy-days, and then and there to abide orderly and soberly, during the time of Common Prayer, Preachings, or other Service of God there to be used, and ministered; upon pain of Punishment by the Censures of the Church, and also upon pain that every Person so offending, shall forfeit for every such Offence, twelve Pence, to be levied by the Churchwardens of the Parish where such Offence shall be done, to the use of the Poor of the same Parish, of the Goods, Lands and Tenements of such Offender, by way of Distress.

And for due execution hereof, the Queen's most excellent Majesty, the Lords Temporal, and all the Commons in this present Parliament assembled, do in God's name earnestly require and charge all the Archbishops, Bishops, and other Ordinaries, that they shall endeavour themselves to the uttermost of their knowledges, that the due and true execution hereof may be had throughout their Diocese and Charges, as they will answer before God, for such evils and plagues wherewith Almighty God may justly punish his people for neglecting this good and wholesome law. And for their Authority in this behalf, be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all and singular the said Archbishops, Bishops, and all other their Officers exercising Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, as well in place exempt as not exempt, within their Diocese, shall have full Power and Authority by this Act, to reform, correct and punish by Censures of the Church, all and singular Persons which shall offend within any their Jurisdictions, or Diocese, after the said Feast of the Nativity of St. *John Baptist* next coming, against this Act and Statute; any other Law, Statute, Privilege, Liberty or Provision heretofore made, had or suffered to the contrary notwithstanding.

And it is Ordained and Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all and every Justice of Oyer and De-

terminer, or Justice of Assize, shall have full Power and Authority in every of their open and general Sessions, to enquire, hear and determine all and all manner of Offences, that shall be committed or done contrary to any Article contained in this present Act, within the limits of the Commission to them directed, and to make Process for the execution of the same, as they may do against any Person being indicted before them of Trespass, or lawfully convicted thereof.

Provided always, and be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all and every Archbishop and Bishop, shall or may at all time and times, at his liberty and pleasure, join and associate himself, by virtue of this Act, to the said Justices of Oyer and Determiner, or to the said Justices of Assize, at every of the said open and general Sessions to be holden in any place within his Diocese, for and to the enquiry, hearing, and determining of the Offences aforesaid.

Provided also, and be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Books concerning the said Services, shall at the Costs and Charges of the Parishioners of every Parish and Cathedral Church, be attained and gotten before the said Feast of the Nativity of St. *John Baptist* next following; and that all such Parishes and Cathedral Churches, or other places, where the said Books shall be attained and gotten before the said Feast of the Nativity of St. *John Baptist,* shall within three Weeks next after the said Books so attained and gotten, use the said Service, and put the same in ure according to this Act.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That no Person or Persons shall be at any time hereafter impeached, or otherwise molested, of or for any the Offences above mentioned, hereafter to be committed or done contrary to this Act, unless he or they so offending be thereof indicted at the next general Sessions, to be holden before any such Justices of Oyer and Determiner, or Justices of Assize next after any Offence committed or done contrary to the tenor of this Act.

Provided always, and be it Ordained and Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all and singular Lords of the Parliament, for the third Offence above mentioned, shall be tried by their Peers.

Provided also, and be it Ordained and Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Mayor of *London,* and all other Mayors, Bailiffs, and all other Head-Officers of all and singular Cities, Boroughs, and Towns-Corporate within this Realm, *Wales,* and the Marches of the same, to the which Justices of Assize do not commonly repair, shall have full Power and Authority by virtue of this Act, to enquire, hear and determine the Offences abovesaid, and every of them, yearly within fifteen Days after the Feast of *Easter* and St. *Michael* the Archangel, in like manner and form as Justices of Assize and Oyer and Determiner may do.

Provided always, and be it Ordained and Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all and singular Archbishops and Bishops, and every of their Chancellors, Commissaries, Archdeacons, and other Ordinaries, having any peculiar Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, shall have full Power and Authority, by virtue of this Act, as well to enquire in their Visitation, Synods, and elsewhere within their Jurisdiction, at any other time and place, to take Accusations and Informations of all and every the things above-mentioned, done, committed, or perpetrated, within the limits of their Jurisdictions and Authority, and to punish the same by Admonition, Excommunication, Sequestration or Deprivation, and other Censures and Process, in like form, as heretofore hath been used in like Cases by the Queen's Ecclesiastical Laws.

Provided always, and be it Enacted, That whatsoever Person offending in the Premisses, shall for the Offence first receive Punishment of the Ordinary, having a Testimonial

thereof under the said Ordinary's Seal, shall not for the same Offence eftsoons be convicted before the Justices: And likewise receiving for the said first Offence, Punishment by the Justices, shall not for the same Offence eftsoons receive Punishment of the Ordinary: any thing contained in this Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided always, and be it Enacted, That such Ornaments of the Church and of the Ministers thereof, shall be retained, and be in use, as was in this Church of *England*, by Authority of Parliament, in the second Year of the Reign of King *Edward* the Sixth, until other Order shall be therein taken by the Authority of the Queen's Majesty, with the Advice of her Commissioners appointed and authorized under the Great Seal of *England* for Causes Ecclesiastical, or of the Metropolitan of this Realm. And also, that if there shall happen any Contempt or Irreverence to be used in the Ceremonies or Rites of the Church, by the misusing of the Orders appointed in this Book, the Queen's Majesty may, by the like advice of the said Commissioners or Metropolitan, ordain and publish such further Ceremonies or Rites as may be most for the advancement of God's Glory, the edifying of his Church, and the due reverence of Christ's holy Mysteries and Sacraments.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all Laws, Statutes and Ordinances, wherein or whereby any other Service, Administration of Sacraments, or Common Prayer, is limited, established, or set forth to be used within this Realm, or any other the Queen's Dominions or Countries, shall from henceforth be utterly void and of none effect.

THE PREFACE.

IT hath been the wisdom of the Church of *England*, ever since the first compiling of her Publick Liturgy, to keep the mean between the two extremes, of too much stiffness in refusing, and of too much easiness in admitting any variation from it. For, as on the one side common experience sheweth, that where a change hath been made of things advisedly established (no evident necessity so requiring) sundry inconveniences have thereupon ensued; and those many times more and greater than the evils, that were intended to be remedied by such change: So on the other side, the particular Forms of Divine worship, and the Rites and Ceremonies appointed to be used therein, being things in their own nature indifferent, and alterable, and so acknowledged; it is but reasonable, that upon weighty and important considerations, according to the various exigency of times and occasions, such changes and alterations should be made therein, as to those that are in place of Authority should from time to time seem either necessary or expedient. Accordingly we find, that in the Reigns of several Princes of blessed memory since the Reformation, the Church, upon just and weighty considerations her thereunto moving, hath yielded to make such alterations in some particulars, as in their respective times were thought convenient: Yet so, as that the main Body and Essentials of it (as well in the chiefest materials, as in the frame and order thereof) have still continued the same unto this day, and do yet stand firm and unshaken, notwithstanding all the vain attempts and impetuous assaults made against it, by such men as are given to change, and have always discovered a greater regard to their own private fancies and interests, than to that duty they owe to the publick.

By what undue means, and for what mischievous purposes the use of the Liturgy (though enjoined by the Laws of the Land, and those Laws never yet repealed) came, during the late unhappy confusions, to be discontinued, is too well known to the world, and we are not willing here to remember. But when, upon His Majesty's happy Restoration, it seemed probable, that, amongst other things, the use of the Liturgy also would return of course (the same having never been legally abolished) unless some timely means were used to prevent it; those men who under the late usurped powers had made it a great part of their business to render the people disaffected thereunto, saw themselves in point of reputation and interest concerned (unless they would freely acknowledge themselves to have erred, which such men are very hardly brought to do) with their utmost endeavours to hinder the restitution thereof. In order whereunto divers Pamphlets were published against the Book of *Common Prayer*, the old objections mustered up, with the addition of some new ones, more than formerly had been made, to make the number swell. In fine, great importunities were used to His Sacred Majesty, that the said Book might be revised, and such Alterations therein, and Additions thereunto made, as should be thought requisite for the ease of tender Consciences: whereunto His Majesty, out of his pious inclination to give satisfaction (so far as could be reasonably expected) to all his subjects of what persuasion soever, did graciously condescend.

In which review we have endeavoured to observe the like moderation, as we find to have been used in the like case in former times. And therefore of the sundry alterations proposed unto us, we have rejected all such as were either of

dangerous consequence (as secretly striking at some established doctrine, or laudable practice of the Church of *England*, or indeed of the whole Catholick Church of Christ) or else of no consequence at all, but utterly frivolous and vain. But such alterations as were tendered to us (by what persons, under what pretences, or to what purpose soever tendered) as seemed to us in any degree requisite or expedient, we have willingly, and of our own accord assented unto: not enforced so to do by any strength of Argument, convincing us of the necessity of making the said Alterations: For we are fully persuaded in our judgements (and we here profess it to the world) that the Book, as it stood before established by Law, doth not contain in it any thing contrary to the Word of God, or to sound Doctrine, or which a godly man may not with a good Conscience use and submit unto, or which is not fairly defensible against any that shall oppose the same; if it shall be allowed such just and favourable construction as in common equity ought to be allowed to all human Writings, especially such as are set forth by Authority, and even to the very best translations of the holy Scripture itself.

Our general aim therefore in this undertaking was, not to gratify this or that party in any their unreasonable demands; but to do that, which to our best understandings we conceived might most tend to the preservation of Peace and Unity in the Church; the procuring of Reverence, and exciting of Piety and Devotion in the publick Worship of God; and the cutting off occasion from them that seek occasion of cavil or quarrel against the Liturgy of the Church. And as to the several variations from the former Book, whether by Alteration, Addition, or otherwise, it shall suffice to give this general account, That most of the Alterations were made, either first, for the better direction of them that are to officiate in any part of Divine Service; which is chiefly done in the Calendars and Rubricks: Or secondly, for the more proper expressing of some words or phrases of ancient usage in terms more suitable to the language of the present times, and the clearer explanation of some other words and phrases, that were either of doubtful signification, or otherwise liable to misconstruction: Or thirdly, for a more perfect rendering of such portions of holy Scripture, as are inserted into the Liturgy; which, in the Epistles and Gospels especially, and in sundry other places, are now ordered to be read according to the last Translation: and that it was thought convenient, that some Prayers and Thanksgivings, fitted to special occasions, should be added in their due places; particularly for those at Sea, together with an Office for the Baptism of such as are of Riper Years: which, although not so necessary when the former Book was compiled, yet by the growth of Anabaptism, through the licentiousness of the late times crept in amongst us, is now become necessary, and may be always useful for the baptizing of Natives in our Plantations, and others converted to the Faith. If any man, who shall desire a more particular account of the several Alterations in any part of the Liturgy, shall take the pains to compare the present Book with the former; we doubt not but the reason of the change may easily appear.

And having thus endeavoured to discharge our duties in this weighty affair, as in the sight of God, and to approve our sincerity therein (so far as lay in us) to the consciences of all men; although we know it impossible (in such variety of apprehensions, humours and interests, as are in the world) to please all; nor can expect that men of factious, peevish, and perverse spirits should be satisfied with any thing that can be done in this kind by any other than themselves: Yet we have good hope, that what is here presented, and hath been by the Convocations of both Provinces with great diligence examined and approved, will be also well accepted and approved by all sober, peaceable, and truly conscientious Sons of the Church of *England*.

CONCERNING THE SERVICE OF THE CHURCH.

THERE was never any thing by the wit of man so well devised, or so sure established, which in continuance of time hath not been corrupted: As, among other things, it may plainly appear by the Common Prayers in the Church, commonly called *Divine Service.* The first original and ground whereof if a man would search out by the ancient Fathers, he shall find, that the same was not ordained but of a good purpose, and for a great advancement of godliness. For they so ordered the matter, that all the whole Bible, (or the greatest part thereof) should be read over once every year; intending thereby, that the Clergy, and especially such as were Ministers in the congregation, should (by often reading, and meditation in God's word) be stirred up to godliness themselves, and be more able to exhort others by wholesome Doctrine, and to confute them that were adversaries to the Truth; and further, that the people (by daily hearing of holy Scripture read in the Church) might continually profit more and more in the knowledge of God, and be the more inflamed with the love of his true Religion.

But these many years passed, this godly and decent order of the ancient Fathers hath been so altered, broken, and neglected, by planting in uncertain Stories, and Legends, with multitude of Responds, Verses, vain Repetitions, Commemorations, and Synodals; that commonly when any Book of the Bible was begun, after three or four Chapters were read out, all the rest were unread. And in this sort the Book of *Isaiah* was begun in *Advent,* and the Book of *Genesis* in *Septuagesima;* but they were only begun, and never read through: after like sort were other Books of holy Scripture used. And moreover, whereas Saint *Paul* would have such language spoken to the people in the Church, as they might understand, and have profit by hearing the same; The Service in this Church of *England* these many years hath been read in Latin to the people, which they understand not; so that they have heard with their ears only, and their heart, spirit, and mind, have not been edified thereby. And furthermore, notwithstanding that the ancient Fathers have divided the *Psalms* into seven portions, whereof every one was called a *Nocturn:* Now of late time a few of them have been daily said, and the rest utterly omitted. Moreover, the number and hardness of the Rules called the *Pie,* and the manifold changings of the Service, was the cause, that to turn the Book only was so hard and intricate a matter, that many times there was more business to find out what should be read, than to read it when it was found out.

These inconveniences therefore considered, here is set forth such an Order, whereby the same shall be redressed. And for a readiness in this matter, here is drawn out a Calendar for that purpose, which is plain and easy to be understood; wherein (so much as may be) the reading of holy Scripture is so set forth, that all things shall be done in order, without breaking one piece from another. For this cause be cut off Anthems, Responds, Invitatories, and such like things as did break the continual course of the reading of the Scripture.

Yet, because there is no remedy, but that of necessity there must be some Rules; therefore certain Rules are here set forth; which, as they are few in number, so they are plain and easy to be understood. So that here you have an Order for Prayer, and for the reading of the holy Scripture, much agreeable to the mind and purpose of the old Fathers, and a great deal more profitable and commodious, than that which of late was used. It is more profitable, because here are left out many things, whereof some are untrue, some uncertain, some vain and superstitious; and nothing is ordained to be read, but the very pure Word of God, the holy Scriptures, or that which is agreeable to the same; and that in such a Language and Order as is most easy and plain for the understanding both of the Readers and Hearers. It is also

more commodious, both for the shortness thereof, and for the plainness of the Order, and for that the Rules be few and easy.

And whereas heretofore there hath been great diversity in saying and singing in Churches within this Realm; some following *Salisbury* Use, some *Hereford* Use, and some the Use of *Bangor*, some of *York*, some of *Lincoln*; now from henceforth all the whole Realm shall have but one Use.

And forasmuch as nothing can be so plainly set forth, but doubts may arise in the use and practice of the same; to appease all such diversity (if any arise) and for the resolution of all doubts, concerning the manner how to understand, do, and execute, the things contained in this Book; the parties that so doubt, or diversly take any thing, shall alway resort to the Bishop of the Diocese, who by his discretion shall take order for the quieting and appeasing of the same; so that the same order be not contrary to any thing contained in this Book. And if the Bishop of the Diocese be in doubt, then he may send for the resolution thereof to the Archbishop.

THOUGH it be appointed, that all things shall be read and sung in the Church in the *English* Tongue, to the end that the congregation may be thereby edified; yet it is not meant, but that when men say Morning and Evening Prayer privately, they may say the same in any language that they themselves do understand.

And all Priests and Deacons are to say daily the Morning and Evening Prayer either privately or openly, not being let by sickness, or some other urgent cause.

And the Curate that ministereth in every Parish-Church or Chapel, being at home, and not being otherwise reasonably hindered, shall say the same in the Parish-Church or Chapel where he ministereth, and shall cause a Bell to be tolled thereunto a convenient time before he begin, that the people may come to hear God's Word, and to pray with him.

OF CEREMONIES,

WHY SOME BE ABOLISHED, AND SOME RETAINED.

OF such Ceremonies as be used in the Church, and have had their beginning by the institution of man, some at the first were of godly intent and purpose devised, and yet at length turned to vanity and superstition: some entered into the Church by undiscreet devotion, and such a zeal as was without knowledge; and for because they were winked at in the beginning, they grew daily to more and more abuses, which not only for their unprofitableness, but also because they have much blinded the people, and obscured the glory of God, are worthy to be cut away, and clean rejected: other there be, which although they have been devised by man, yet it is thought good to reserve them still, as well for a decent order in the Church, (for the which they were first devised,) as because they pertain to edification, whereunto all things done in the Church (as the Apostle teacheth) ought to be referred.

And although the keeping or omitting of a Ceremony, in itself considered, is but a small thing; yet the wilful and contemptuous transgression and breaking of a common order and discipline is no small offence before God, *Let all things be done among you*, saith Saint *Paul, in a seemly and due order:* The appointment of the which order pertaineth not to private men; therefore no man ought to take in hand, nor presume to appoint or alter any publick or common Order in Christ's Church, except he be lawfully called and authorized thereunto.

And whereas in this our time, the minds of men are so diverse, that some think it a great matter of conscience to depart from a piece of the least of their Ceremonies, they be so addicted to their old customs; and again on the other side, some be so new-fangled, that they would innovate all things, and so despise

the old, that nothing can like them, but that is new: it was thought expedient, not so much to have respect how to please and satisfy either of these parties, as how to please God, and profit them both. And yet lest any man should be offended, whom good reason might satisfy, here be certain causes rendered, why some of the accustomed Ceremonies be put away, and some retained and kept still.

Some are put away, because the great excess and multitude of them hath so increased in these latter days, that the burden of them was intolerable; whereof Saint *Augustine* in his time complained, that they were grown to such a number, that the estate of Christian people was in worse case concerning that matter, than were the Jews. And he counselled that such yoke and burden should be taken away, as time would serve quietly to do it. But what would Saint *Augustine* have said, if he had seen the Ceremonies of late days used among us; whereunto the multitude used in his time was not to be compared? This our excessive multitude of Ceremonies was so great, and many of them so dark, that they did more confound and darken, than declare and set forth Christ's benefits unto us. And besides this, Christ's Gospel is not a Ceremonial Law, (as much of *Moses'* Law was,) but it is a Religion to serve God, not in bondage of the figure or shadow, but in the freedom of the Spirit; being content only with those Ceremonies which do serve to a decent Order and godly Discipline, and such as be apt to stir up the dull mind of man to the remembrance of his duty to God, by some notable and special signification, whereby he might be edified. Furthermore, the most weighty cause of the abolishment of certain Ceremonies was, That they were so far abused, partly by the superstitious blindness of the rude and unlearned, and partly by the unsatiable avarice of such as sought more their own lucre, than the glory of God, that the abuses could not well be taken away, the thing remaining still.

But now as concerning those persons, which peradventure will be offended, for that some of the old Ceremonies are retained still: If they consider that without some Ceremonies it is not possible to keep any Order, or quiet Discipline in the Church, they shall easily perceive just cause to reform their judgements. And if they think much, that any of the old do remain, and would rather have all devised anew: then such men granting some Ceremonies convenient to be had, surely where the old may be well used, there they cannot reasonably reprove the old only for their age, without bewraying of their own folly. For in such a case they ought rather to have reverence unto them for their antiquity if they will declare themselves to be more studious of unity and concord, than of innovations and new-fangleness, which (as much as may be with the true setting forth of Christ's Religion) is always to be eschewed. Furthermore, such shall have no just cause with the Ceremonies reserved to be offended. For as those be taken away which were most abused, and did burden men's consciences without any cause; so the other that remain, are retained for a discipline and order, which (upon just causes) may be altered and changed, and therefore are not to be esteemed equal with God's Law. And moreover, they be neither dark nor dumb Ceremonies, but are so set forth, that every man may understand what they do mean, and to what use they do serve. So that it is not like that they in time to come should be abused as other have been. And in these our doings we condemn no other Nations, nor prescribe any thing but to our own people only: For we think it convenient that every Country should use such Ceremonies as they shall think best to the setting forth of God's honour and glory, and to the reducing of the people to a most perfect and godly living, without error or superstition; and that they should put away other things, which from time to time they perceive to be most abused, as in men's ordinances it often chanceth diversly in divers countries.

¶ THE ORDER HOW THE PSALTER IS APPOINTED TO BE READ.

THE Psalter shall be read through once every Month, as it is there appointed, both for Morning and Evening Prayer. But in *February* it shall be read only to the twenty-eighth, or twenty-ninth day of the Month.

And, whereas *January, March, May, July, August, October,* and *December* have One-and-thirty days apiece; It is ordered, that the same Psalms shall be read the last day of the said months, which were read the day before: So that the Psalter may begin again the first day of the next month ensuing.

And, whereas the 119th Psalm is divided into twenty-two portions, and is over-long to be read at one time; It is so ordered, that at one time shall not be read above four or five of the said portions.

And at the end of every Psalm, and of every such part of the 119th Psalm, shall be repeated this Hymn,

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

Note, that the Psalter followeth the Division of the Hebrews, and the Translation of the great English Bible, set forth and used in the time of King *Henry* the Eighth, and *Edward* the Sixth.

THE ORDER HOW THE REST OF HOLY SCRIPTURE IS APPOINTED TO BE READ.

THE Old Testament is appointed for the first Lessons at Morning and Evening Prayer, so as the most part thereof will be read every year once, as in the Calendar is appointed.

The New Testament is appointed for the second Lessons at Morning and Evening Prayer, and shall be read over orderly every year twice, once in the Morning and once in the Evening, besides the Epistles and Gospels, except the Apocalypse, out of which there are only certain Lessons appointed at the end of the year, and certain Proper Lessons appointed upon divers Feasts.

And to know what Lessons shall be read every day, look for the day of the Month in the Calendar following, and there ye shall find the Chapters and portions of Chapters that shall be read for the Lessons, both at Morning and Evening Prayer, except only the Moveable Feasts, which are not in the Calendar, and the Immoveable, where there is a blank left in the Column of Lessons, the Proper Lessons for all which days are to be found in the Table of Proper Lessons.

If Evening Prayer is said at two different times in the same place of worship on any Sunday (except a Sunday for which Alternative second Lessons are specially appointed in the Table,) the second Lesson at the second time may, at the discretion of the Minister, be any Chapter from the four Gospels, or any Lesson appointed in the Table of Lessons from the four Gospels.

Upon occasions, to be approved by the Ordinary, other Lessons may, with his consent, be substituted for those which are appointed in the Calendar.

And note, that whensoever Proper Psalms or Lessons are appointed, then the Psalms and Lessons of ordinary course appointed in the Psalter and Calendar (if they be different) shall be omitted for that time.

Note also, that upon occasions to be appointed by the Ordinary, other Psalms may, with his consent, be substituted for those appointed in the Psalter.

If any of the Holy-days for which Proper Lessons are appointed in the Table fall upon a Sunday which is the first Sunday in Advent, Easter-Day, Whit-Sunday, or Trinity-Sunday, the Lessons appointed for such Sunday shall be read, but if it fall upon any other Sunday, the Lessons appointed either for the Sunday or for the Holy-day may be read at the discretion of the Minister.

Note also, that the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel appointed for the Sunday shall serve all the week after, where it is not in this Book otherwise ordered.

¶ PROPER LESSONS

To be read at Morning and Evening Prayer, on the Sundays, and other Holy-days throughout the Year.

¶ LESSONS PROPER FOR SUNDAYS.

	MATTINS.	EVENSONG.
Sundays of Advent.		
The 1st	Isaiah 1	Isaiah 2 .. .. or Isaiah 4 *v.2*
2nd	5	11 to *v.11* .. ,, 24
3rd	25..	26 .. .. .. ,, 28 *v.5* to *v.19*
4th	30 to *v.27* ..	32 .. .. .. ,, 33 *v.2* to *v.23*
Sundays after Christmas.		
The 1st	35	38 .. .. .. ,, 40
2nd	42	43 .. .. .. ,, 44
Sundays after Epiphany.		
The 1st	51	52 *v.13* & 53 ,, 54
2nd	55	57 .. .. .. ,, 61
3rd	62	65 .. .. .. ,, 66
4th	Job 27	Job 28 .. .. ,, Job 29
5th	Proverbs 1 ..	Proverbs 3 .. ,, Proverbs 8
6th	9	11 .. .. .. ,, 15
Septuagesima. ..	Gen. 1 & 2 to *v.4*	Genesis 2 *v.4* .. ,, Job 38
2nd Lesson ..	Rev. 21 to *v.9* .	Revelation 21 *v.9* to 22 *v.6*
Sexagesima	Genesis 3 ..	Genesis 6 . .. or Genesis 8
Quinquagesima ..	9 to *v.20* ..	12 .. .. .. ,, 13
Sundays in LENT.		
The 1st	19 *v.12* to *v.30*	22 to *v.20* .. ,, 23
2nd	27 to *v.41* ..	28 .. .. .. ,, 32
3rd	37	39 .. .. .. ,, 40
4th	42	43 .. .. .. ,, 45
5th	Exodus 3 ..	Exodus 5 . .. ,, Exod. 6 to *v.14*
6th	9	10 .. .. .. ,, 11
2nd Lesson ..	Matthew 26 ..	Luke 19 *v.28* .. ,, Luke 20 *v.9* to *v.21*
Easter-Day.	Exod. 12 to *v.29*	Exod. 12 *v.29* .. ,, Exod. 14
2nd Lesson ..	Rev. 1 *v.10* to *v.19*	John 20 *v.11* to *v.19* ,, Rev. 5
Sundays after Easter.		
The 1st ..	Num. 16 to *v.36*	Num. 16 *v.36* . ,, Num. 17 to *v.12*
2nd Lesson ..	1 Cor. 15 to *v.29*	John 20 *v.24* to *v.30*
2nd	Num. 20 to *v.14*	Num. 20 *v.14* or Num. 21 *v.10* to 21 *v.10*
3rd	22	23 .. .. .. ,, 24
4th	Deut. 4 to *v.23*	Deut. 4 *v.23* to *v.41* ,, Deut. 5
5th	6	9 .. .. .. ,, 10

LESSONS PROPER FOR SUNDAYS.

	MATTINS.	EVENSONG.
Sunday after Ascension-Day. ..	Deut. 30 ..	Deut. 34 .. .. or Joshua 1
Whit-Sunday . ..	16 to *v.*18 ..	Isaiah 11 .. .. „ Ezek. 36 *v.*25
and Lesson ..	Romans 8 to *v.*18	Gal. 5 *v.*16 .. „ Acts 18 *v.*24 to 19 *v.*21
Trinity Sunday ..	Isa. 6 to *v.*11 ..	Gen. 18 .. .. „ Gen. 1 & 2 to *v.*4
and Lesson ..	Rev. 1 to *v.*9 ..	Eph. 4 to *v.*17 . „ Matthew 3
Sundays after Trinity.		
The 1st	Joshua 3 *v.*7 to 4 *v.*15	Joshua 5 *v.*13 to 6 *v.*21 „ Joshua 24
2nd	Judges 4	Judges 5 .. .. „ Judges 6 *v.*11
3rd	1 Sam. 2 to *v.*27	1 Samuel 3 .. „ 1 Sam. 4 to *v.*19
4th	12	13 .. .. .. „ Ruth 1
5th	15 to *v.*24 ..	16 .. .. .. „ 1 Samuel 17
6th	2 Samuel 1 ..	2 Sam. 12 to *v.*24 „ 2 Samuel 18
7th	1 Chron. 21 ..	1 Chron. 22 .. „ 1 Chron. 28 to *v.*21
8th	29 *v.*9 to *v.*29	2 Chron. 1 . .. „ 1 Kings 3
9th	1 Kings 10 to *v.*25	1 Kings 11 to *v.*15 „ 11 *v.*26
10th	12	13 .. .. .. „ 17
11th	18	19 .. .. .. „ 21
12th	22 to *v.*41 ..	2 Kings 2 to *v.*16 „ 2 Kings 4 *v.*8 to *v.*38
13th	2 Kings 5 ..	6 to *v.*24 . .. „ 7
14th	9	10 to *v.*32 .. „ 13
15th	18	19 .. .. .. „ 23 to *v.*31
16th	2 Chron. 36 ..	Nehemiah 1 & 2 to *v.*9 „ Nehemiah 8
17th	Jeremiah 5 ..	Jeremiah 22 .. „ Jeremiah 35
18th	36	Ezekiel 2 . .. „ Ezek. 13 to *v.*17
19th	Ezekiel 14 ..	18 .. .. .. „ 24 *v.*15
20th	34	37 .. .. .. „ Daniel 1
21st	Daniel 3 . ..	Daniel 4 .. .. „ 5
22nd	6	7 *v.*9 .. .. „ 12
23rd	Hosea 14 ..	Joel 2 *v.*21 . .. „ Joel 3 *v.*9
24th	Amos 3	Amos 5 .. .. „ Amos 9
25th	Micah 4 & 5 to *v.*8	Micah 6 .. .. „ Micah 7
26th	Habakkuk 2 ..	Habakkuk 3 .. „ Zephaniah 3
27th	Eccles. 11 & 12	Hag. 2 to *v.*10 „ Malachi 3 & 4

Note.—That the Lessons appointed in the above Table for the Twenty-seventh Sunday after Trinity shall always be read on the Sunday next before Advent.

¶ LESSONS PROPER FOR HOLY-DAYS.

	MATTINS.	EVENSONG.
St. Andrew.		
1st Lesson	Isaiah 54	Isaiah 65 to *v.*17
2nd Lesson	John 1 *v.*35 to *v.*43 ..	John 12 *v.*20 to *v.*42
St. Thomas.		
1st Lesson	Job 42 to *v.*7	Isaiah 35
2nd Lesson	John 20 *v.*19 to *v.*24 ..	John 14 to *v.*8
Nativity of Christ.		
1st Lesson	Isaiah 9 to *v.*8	Isaiah 7 *v.*10 to *v.*17
2nd Lesson	Luke 2 to *v.*15	Titus 3 *v.*4 to *v.*9
St. Stephen.		
1st Lesson	Genesis 4 to *v.*11 ..	2 Chr. 24 *v.*15 to *v.*23
2nd Lesson	Acts 6	Acts 8 to *v.*9
St. John Evangelist.		
1st Lesson	Exodus 33 *v.*9.. ..	Isaiah 6
2nd Lesson	John 13 *v.*23 to *v.*36 ..	Revelation 1
Innocents' Day.		
1st Lesson	Jeremiah 31 to *v.*18...	Baruch 4 *v.*21 to *v.*31
Circumcision.		
1st Lesson	Genesis 17 *v.*9	Deuteronomy 10 *v.*12
2nd Lesson	Romans 2 *v.*17 . ..	Col. 2 *v.*8 to *v.*18
Epiphany.		
1st Lesson	Isaiah 60	Isaiah 49 *v.*13 to *v.*24
2nd Lesson	Luke 3 *v.*15 to *v.*23 ..	John 2 to *v.*12
Conversion of St. Paul.		
1st Lesson	Isaiah 49 to *v.*13 ..	Jeremiah 1 to *v.*11
2nd Lesson	Galatians 1 *v.*11 ..	Acts 26 to *v.*21
Purification of Virgin Mary.		
1st Lesson	Exodus 13 to *v.*17 ..	Haggai 2 to *v.*10
St. Matthias.		
1st Lesson.	1 Sam. 2 *v.*27 to *v.*36	Isaiah 22 *v.*15
Annunciation of our Lady.		
1st Lesson	Genesis 3 to *v.*16 ..	Isaiah 52 *v.*7 to *v.*13
Ash-Wednesday.		
1st Lesson	Isaiah 58 to *v.*13 ..	Jonah 3
2nd Lesson	Mark 2 *v.*13 to *v.*23 ..	Heb. 12 *v.*3 to *v.*18
Monday before Easter.		
1st Lesson	Lam. 1 to *v.*15	Lam. 2 *v.*13
2nd Lesson	John 14 to *v.*15	John 14 *v.*15
Tuesday before Easter.		
1st Lesson	Lam. 3 to *v.*34	Lam. 3 *v.*34
2nd Lesson	John 15 to *v.*14	John 15 *v.*14
Wednesday before Easter.		
1st Lesson	Lam. 4 to *v.*21	Daniel 9 *v.*20
2nd Lesson	John 16 to *v.*16	John 16 *v.*16
Thursday before Easter.		
1st Lesson	Hosea 13 to *v.*15 ..	Hosea 14
2nd Lesson	John 17	John 13 to *v.*36
Good Friday.		
1st Lesson	Genesis 22 to *v.*20 ..	Isaiah 52 *v.*13 & 53
2nd Lesson	John 18	1 Peter 2
Easter Even.		
1st Lesson	Zechariah 9	Hosea 5 *v.*8 to 6 *v.*4
2nd Lesson	Luke 23 *v.*50	Romans 6 to *v.*14
Monday in Easter-Week.		
1st Lesson	Exodus 15 to *v.*22 ..	Canticles 2 *v.*10
2nd Lesson	Luke 24 to *v.*13 ..	Matthew 28 to *v.*10

LESSONS PROPER FOR HOLY-DAYS.

	MATTINS.	EVENSONG.
Tuesday in Easter-Week.		
1st Lesson	2 Kin. 13 *v.*14 to *v.*22	Ezekiel 37 to *v.*15
2nd Lesson	John 21 to *v.*15.. ..	John 21 *v.*15
St. Mark.		
1st Lesson	Isaiah 62 *v.*6	Ezekiel 1 to *v.*15
St. Philip and St. James.		
1st Lesson	Isaiah 61	Zechariah 4
2nd Lesson	John 1 *v.*43	
Ascension-Day.		
1st Lesson	Daniel 7 *v.*9 to *v.*15 ..	2 Kings 2 to *v.*16
2nd Lesson	Luke 24 *v.*44	Hebrews 4
Monday in Whitsun-Week.		
1st Lesson	Genesis 11 to *v.*10 ..	Num. 11 *v.*16 to *v.*31
2nd Lesson	1 Cor. 12 to *v.*14 ..	1 Cor. 12 *v.*27 & 13
Tuesday in Whitsun-Week.		
1st Lesson	Joel 2 *v.*21	Micah 4 to *v.*8
2nd Lesson	1 Thess. 5 *v.*12 to *v.*24	1 John 4 to *v.*14
St. Barnabas.		
1st Lesson	Deut. 33 to *v.*12 ..	Nahum 1
2nd Lesson	Acts 4 *v.*31	Acts 14 *v.*8
St. John Baptist.		
1st Lesson	Malachi 3 to *v.*7 ..	Malachi 4
2nd Lesson	Matthew 3	Matthew 14 to *v.*13
St. Peter.		
1st Lesson	Ezekiel 3 *v.*4 to *v.*15..	Zechariah 3
2nd Lesson	John 21 *v.*15 to *v.*23..	Acts 4 *v.*8 to *v.*23
St. James.		
1st Lesson	2 Kings 1 to *v.*16 ..	Jer. 26 *v.*8 to *v.*16
2nd Lesson	Luke 9 *v.*51 to *v.*57	
St. Bartholomew.		
1st Lesson	Gen. 28 *v.*10 to *v.*18..	Deut. 18 *v.*15
St. Matthew.		
1st Lesson	1 Kings 19 *v.*15 ..	1 Chron. 29 to *v.*20
St. Michael.		
1st Lesson	Genesis 32	Daniel 10 *v.*4
2nd Lesson	Acts 12 *v.*5 to *v.*18 ..	Revelation 14 *v.*14
St. Luke.		
1st Lesson	Isaiah 55..	Ecclus. 38 to *v.*15
St. Simon and St. Jude.		
1st Lesson	Isaiah 28 *v.*9 to *v.*17..	Jer. 3 *v.*12 to *v.*19
All Saints.		
1st Lesson	Wisdom 3 to *v.*10 ..	Wisdom 5 to *v.*17
2nd Lesson	Heb. 11 *v.*33 & 12 to *v.*7	Rev. 19 to *v.*17

¶ PROPER PSALMS ON CERTAIN DAYS.

	MATTINS.	EVENSONG.
Christmas-Day	Psalm 19, 45, 85 ..	Psalm 89, 110, 132
Ash-Wednesday	6, 32, 38	102, 130, 143
Good Friday	22, 40, 54.. ..	69, 88
Easter-Day	2, 57, 111	113, 114, 118
Ascension-Day	8. 15, 21	24, 47, 108
Whit-Sunday	48, 68	104, 145

THE CALENDAR, WITH THE TABLE OF LESSONS.

JANUARY hath xxxi Days.			MORNING PRAYER.		EVENING PRAYER.	
			First Lesson.	*Second Lesson.*	*First Lesson.*	*Second Lesson.*
1	A	*Circumcision*	Genesis 17 *v.*9	Romans 2 *v.*17	Deut. 10 *v.*12	Colos. 2 *v.*8 to *v.*18
2	b		1 to *v.*20	Matthew 1 *v.*18	Genesis 1 *v.*20 to 2 *v.*4	Acts 1
3	c		2 *v.*4	2	3 to *v.*20	2 to *v.*22
4	d		3 *v.*20 to 4 *v.*16	3	4 *v.*16	2 *v.*22
5	e		5 to *v.*28	4 to *v.*23	5 *v.*28 to 6 *v.*9	3
6	f	*Epiphany.*	Isaiah 60	Luke 3 *v.*15 to *v.*23	Isaiah 49 *v.*13 to *v.*24	John 2 to *v.*12
7	g		Genesis 6 *v.*9	Matt. 4 *v.*23 to 5 *v.*13	Genesis 7	Acts 4 to *v.*32
8	A	Lucian, P. & M.	8	5 *v.*13 to *v.*33	9 to *v.*20	4 *v.*32 to 5 *v.*17
9	b		11 to *v.*10	5 *v.*33	12	5 *v.*17
10	c		13	6 to *v.*19	14	6
11	d		15	6 *v.*19 to 7 *v.*7	16	7 to *v.*35
12	e		17 to *v.*23	7 *v.*7	18 to *v.*17	7 *v.*35 to 8 *v.*5
13	f	Hilary, Bp. & C.	18 *v.*17	8 to *v.*18	19 *v.*12 to *v.*30	8 *v.*5 to *v.*26
14	g		20	8 *v.*18	21 to *v.*22	8 *v.*26
15	A		21 *v.*33 to 22 *v.*20	9 to *v.*18	23	9 to *v.*23
16	b		24 to *v.*29	9 *v.*18	24 *v.*20 to *v.*52	9 *v.*23
17	c		24 *v.*52	10 to *v.*24	25 *v.*5 to *v.*19	10 to *v.*24
18	d	Prisca, V. & M.	25 *v.*19	10 *v.*24	26 to *v.*18	10 *v.*24
19	e		26 *v.*18	11	27 to *v.*30	11
20	f	Fabian, Bp. & M.	27 *v.*30	12 to *v.*22	28	12
21	g	Agnes, V. & M.	29 to *v.*21	12 *v.*22	31 to *v.*25	13 to *v.*26
22	A	Vincent, Mart.	31 *v.*36	13 to *v.*24	32 to *v.*22	13 *v.*26
23	b		32 *v.*22	13 *v.*24 to *v.*53	33	14
24	c		35 to *v.*21	13 *v.*53 to 14 *v.*13	37 to *v.*12	15 to *v.*30
25	d	*Conv. of St. Paul.*	Isaiah 49 to *v.*13	Galatians 1 *v.*11	Jeremiah 1 to *v.*11	26 to *v.*21
26	e		Genesis 37 *v.*12	Matthew 14 *v.*13	Genesis 39	15 *v.*30 to 16 *v.*16
27	f		40	15 to *v.*21	41 to *v.*17	16 *v.*16
28	g		41 *v.*17 to *v.*53	15 *v.*21	41 *v.*53 to 42 *v.*25	17 to *v.*16
29	A		42 *v.*25	16 to *v.*24	43 to *v.*25	17 *v.*16
30	b		43 *v.*25 to 44 *v.*14	16 *v.*24 to 17 *v.*14	44 *v.*14	18 to *v.*24
31	c		45 to *v.*25	17 *v.*14	45 *v.*25 to 46 *v.*8	18 *v.*24 to 19 *v.*21

THE CALENDAR, WITH THE TABLE OF LESSONS.

FEBRUARY hath xxviii Days.			MORNING PRAYER.		EVENING PRAYER.	
			First Lesson.	*Second Lesson.*	*First Lesson.*	*Second Lesson.*
1	d	.. .. .. Fast.	Gen. 46 *v.* 26 to 47 *v.* 13	Matthew 18 to *v.* 21 .	Genesis 47 *v.* 13 ..	Acts 19 *v.* 21
2	e	*Purif. of V. Mary.* ..	Exodus 13 to *v.* 17 ..	18 *v.* 21 to 19 *v.* 3 .	Haggai 2 to *v.* 10 ..	20 to *v.* 17
3	f	Blasius, Bp. & M. .	Genesis 48	19 *v.* 3 to *v.* 27 ..	Genesis 49	20 *v.* 17
4	g	.. ..	50	19 *v.* 27 to 20 *v.* 17	Exodus 1	21 to *v.* 17
5	A	Agatha, V. & M. ..	Exodus 2	20 *v.* 17	3	21 *v.* 17 to *v.* 37
6	b	.. ..	4 to *v.* 24	21 to *v.* 23	4 *v.* 27 to 5 *v.* 15 ..	21 *v.* 37 to 22 *v.* 23
7	c	.. ..	5 *v.* 15 to 6 *v.* 14 ..	21 *v.* 23	6 *v.* 28 to 7 *v.* 14 ..	22 *v.* 23 to 23 *v.* 12
8	d	.. ..	7 *v.* 14	22 to *v.* 15	8 to *v.* 20	23 *v.* 12
9	e	.. ..	8 *v.* 20 to 9 *v.* 13 ..	22 *v.* 15 to *v.* 41 ..	9 *v.* 13	24
10	f	.. ..	10 to *v.* 21	22 *v.* 41 to 23 *v.* 13	10 *v.* 21 & 11 ..	25
11	g	.. ..	12 to *v.* 21	23 *v.* 13	12 *v.* 21 to *v.* 43 ..	26
12	A	.. ..	12 *v.* 43 to 13 *v.* 17	24 to *v.* 29	13 *v.* 17 to 14 *v.* 10	27 to *v.* 18
13	b	.. ..	14 *v.* 10	24 *v.* 29	15 to *v.* 22	27 *v.* 18
14	c	Valentine, Bishop .	15 *v.* 22 to 16 *v.* 11	25 to *v.* 31	16 *v.* 11	28 to *v.* 17
15	d	.. ..	17	25 *v.* 31	18	28 *v.* 17
16	e	.. ..	19	26 to *v.* 31	20 to *v.* 22	Romans 1
17	f	.. ..	21 to *v.* 18	26 *v.* 31 to *v.* 57 ..	22 *v.* 21 to 23 *v.* 10	2 to *v.* 17
18	g	.. ..	23 *v.* 14	26 *v.* 57	24	2 *v.* 17
19	A	.. ..	25 to *v.* 23	27 to *v.* 27	28 to *v.* 13	3
20	b	.. ..	28 *v.* 29 to *v.* 42 ..	27 *v.* 27 to *v.* 57 ..	29 *v.* 35 to 30 *v.* 11	4
21	c	.. ..	31	27 *v.* 57	32 to *v.* 15	5
22	d	.. ..	32 *v.* 15	28	33 to *v.* 12	6
23	e	.. .. Fast.	33 *v.* 12 to 34 *v.* 10	Mark 1 to *v.* 21	34 *v.* 10 to *v.* 27 ..	7
24	f	*St. Matthias*, Ap. ..	1 Sam. 2 *v.* 27 to *v.* 36 .	1 *v.* 21	Isaiah 22 *v.* 15	8 to *v.* 18
25	g	.. ..	Exodus 34 *v.* 27 ..	2 to *v.* 23	Ex. 35 *v.* 29 to 36 *v.* 8	8 *v.* 18
26	A	.. ..	39 *v.* 30	2 *v.* 23 to 3 *v.* 13 ..	40 to *v.* 17	9 to *v.* 19
27	b	.. ..	40 *v.* 7	3 *v.* 13	Lev. 9 *v.* 22 to 10 *v.* 12	9 *v.* 19
28	c	.. ..	Leviticus 14 to *v.* 23 .	4 to *v.* 35	16 to *v.* 23	10
29	..	.. ..	19 to *v.* 19	Matthew 7	19 *v.* 30 to 20 *v.* 9 .	12

* And in every Leap-Year xxix Days.

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MARCH hath xxxi Days.				MORNING PRAYER. First Lesson.	MORNING PRAYER. Second Lesson.	EVENING PRAYER. First Lesson.	EVENING PRAYER. Second Lesson.
	1	d	David, Archb.	Leviticus 25 to *v.* 18	Mark 4 *v.* 35 to 5 *v.* 21	Levit. 25 *v.* 18 to *v.* 44	Romans 11 to *v.* 25
	2	e	Chad, Bishop.	26 to *v.* 21	5 *v.* 21	26 *v.* 21	11 *v.* 25
	3	f	.. ..	Numbers 6	6 to *v.* 14	Num. 9 *v.* 15 to 10 *v.* 11	12
	4	g	.. ..	10 *v.* 11	6 *v.* 14 to *v.* 30	11 to *v.* 24	13
	5	A	.. ..	11 *v.* 24	6 *v.* 30	12	14 & 15 to *v.* 8
	6	b	.. ..	13 *v.* 17	7 to *v.* 24	14 to *v.* 26	15 *v.* 8
	7	c	Perpetua, M.	14 *v.* 26	7 *v.* 24 to 8 *v.* 10	16 to *v.* 23	16
	8	d	.. ..	16 *v.* 23	8 *v.* 10 to 9 *v.* 2	17	1 Corinthians 1 to *v.* 26
	9	e	.. ..	20 to *v.* 14	9 *v.* 2 to *v.* 30	20 *v.* 14	1 *v.* 26 & 2
	10	f	.. ..	21 to *v.* 10	9 *v.* 30	21 *v.* 10 to *v.* 32	3
	11	g	.. ..	22 to *v.* 22	10 to *v.* 32	22 *v.* 22	4 to *v.* 18
	12	A	Gregory, M.B.	23	10 *v.* 32	24	4 *v.* 18 & 5
	13	b	.. ..	25	11 to *v.* 27	27 *v.* 12	6
	14	c	.. ..	Deut. 1 to *v.* 19	11 *v.* 27 to 12 *v.* 13	Deut. 1 *v.* 19	7 to *v.* 25
	15	d	.. ..	2 to *v.* 26	12 *v.* 13 to *v.* 35	2 *v.* 26 to 3 *v.* 18	7 *v.* 25
	16	e	.. ..	3 *v.* 18	12 *v.* 35 to 13 *v.* 14	4 to *v.* 25	8
	17	f	.. ..	4 *v.* 25 to *v.* 41	13 *v.* 14	5 to *v.* 22	9
	18	g	Edward, K. of	5 *v.* 22	14 to *v.* 27	6	10 & 11 *v.* 1
	19	A	[the W.-Sax.	7 to *v.* 12	14 *v.* 27 to *v.* 53	7 *v.* 12	11 *v.* 2 to *v.* 17
	20	b	.. ..	8	14 *v.* 53	10 *v.* 8	11 *v.* 17
	21	c	Benedict, Ab.	11 to *v.* 18	15 to *v.* 42	11 *v.* 18	12 to *v.* 28
14	22	d	.. ..	15 to *v.* 16	15 *v.* 42 & 16	17 *v.* 8	12 *v.* 28 & 13
3	23	e	.. ..	18 *v.* 9	Luke 1 to *v.* 26	24 *v.* 5	14 to *v.* 20
	24	f	.. .. Fast.	26	1 *v.* 26 to *v.* 46	27	14 *v.* 20
11	25	g	*Annunc. of V.*	Genesis 3 to *v.* 16	1 *v.* 46	Isaiah 52 *v.* 7 to *v.* 13	15 to *v.* 35
	26	A	.. .. [*Mary.*	Deut. 28 to *v.* 15	2 to *v.* 21	Deut. 28 *v.* 15 to *v.* 47	15 *v.* 35
19	27	b	.. ..	28 *v.* 47	2 *v.* 21	29 *v.* 9	16
8	28	c	.. ..	30	3 to *v.* 23	31 to *v.* 14	2 Corinthians 1 to *v.* 23
	29	d	.. ..	31 *v.* 14 to *v.* 30	4 to *v.* 16	31 *v.* 30 to 32 *v.* 44	1 *v.* 23 to 2 *v.* 14
16	30	e	.. ..	32 *v.* 44	4 *v.* 16	33	2 *v.* 14 & 3
5	31	f	.. ..	34	5 to *v.* 17	Joshua 1	4

The Numbers here prefixed to the several Days, between the Twenty first Day of *March* and the Eighteenth Day of *April*, both inclusive, denote the Days upon which those Full Moons do fall, which happen upon or next after the Twenty first Day of *March*, in those Years, of which they are respec-

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	APRIL hath xxx Days.			MORNING PRAYER. First Lesson.	MORNING PRAYER. Second Lesson.	EVENING PRAYER. First Lesson.	EVENING PRAYER. Second Lesson.
	1	g	.. ..	Joshua 2	Luke 5 *v.*17	Joshua 3	2 Corinthians 5
13	2	A	.. ..	4	6 to *v.*20	5	6 & 7 *v.*1
2	3	b	Richard, Bp. .	6	6 *v.*20	7	7 *v.*2
	4	c	St. Ambrose. .	9 *v.*3	7 to *v.*24	10 to *v.*16	8
10	5	d	.. ..	21 *v.*43 to 22 *v.*11	7 *v.*24	22 *v.*11	9
	6	e	.. ..	23	8 to *v.*26	24	10
18	7	f	.. ..	Judges 2	8 *v.*26	Judges 4	11 to *v.*30
7	8	g	.. ..	5	9 to *v.*28	6 to *v.*24	11 *v.*30 to 12 *v.*14
	9	A	.. ..	6 *v.*24	9 *v.*28 to *v.*51 ..	7	12 *v.*14 & 13
15	10	b	.. ..	8 *v.*32 to 9 *v.*25 ..	9 *v.*51 to 10 *v.*17 ..	10	Galatians
4	11	c	.. ..	11 to *v.*29	10 *v.*17	11 *v.*29	2
	12	d	.. ..	13	11 to *v.*29	14	3
12	13	e	.. ..	15	11 *v.*29	16	4 to *v.*21
1	14	f	.. ..	Ruth 1	12 to *v.*35	Ruth 2	4 *v.*21 to 5 *v.*13
	15	g	.. ..	3	12 *v.*35	4	5 *v.*13
9	16	A	.. ..	1 Samuel 1	13 to *v.*18	1 Samuel 2 to *v.*21 ..	6
17	17	b	.. ..	2 *v.*21	13 *v.*18	3	Ephesians 1
6	18	c	.. ..	4	14 to *v.*25	5	2
	19	d	Alphege, Abp.	6	14 *v.*25 to 15 *v.*11.	7	3
	20	e	.. ..	8	15 *v.*11	9	4 to *v.*25
	21	f	.. ..	10	16	11	4 *v.*25 to 5 *v.*22
	22	g	.. ..	12	17 to *v.*20	13	5 *v.*22 to 6 *v.*10
	23	A	St. George, M.	14 to *v.*24	17 *v.*20	14 *v.*24 to *v.*47 ..	6 *v.*10
	24	b	.. ..	15	18 to *v.*31	16	Philippians 1
	25	c	*St. Mark*, Evan.	Isaiah 62 *v.*6	18 *v.*31 to 19 *v.*11 .	Ezekiel 1 to *v.*15 ..	2
	26	d	.. ..	1 Samuel 17 to *v.*31 .	19 *v.*11 to *v.*28 ..	1 Samuel 17 *v.*31 to *v.*55	3
	27	e	.. ..	17 *v.*55 to 18 *v.*17	19 *v.*28	19	4
	28	f	.. ..	20 to *v.*18	20 to *v.*27	20 *v.*18	Colossians 1 to *v.*21
	29	g	.. ..	21	20 *v.*27 to 21 *v.*5 .	22	1 *v.*21 to 2 *v.*3
	30	A	.. ..	23	21 *v.*5	24 & 25 *v.*1 ..	2 *v.*8

tively the Golden Numbers: And the Sunday Letter next following any such Full Moon points out *Easter-day* for that Year. All which holds until the Year of our Lord 2199 inclusive; after which Year, the Places of these Golden Numbers will be to be changed, as is hereafter expressed.

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MAY hath xxxi Days.			MORNING PRAYER. First Lesson.	MORNING PRAYER. Second Lesson.	EVENING PRAYER. First Lesson.	EVENING PRAYER. Second Lesson.
1	b	*St. Philip* and *St.*	Isaiah 61	John 1 *v.*43	Zechariah 4	Colossians 3 to *v.*18
2	c	*James*, App.	1 Samuel 26	Luke 22 to *v.*31	1 Samuel 28 *v.*3	3 *v.*18 to 4 *v.*7
3	d	Invent. of Cross	31	22 *v.*31 to *v.*54	2 Samuel 1	4 *v.*7
4	e		2 Samuel 3 *v.*17	22 *v.*54	4	1 Thessalonians 1
5	f		6	23 to *v.*26	7 to *v.*18	2
6	g	St. John E. ante	7 *v.*18	23 *v.*26 to *v.*50	9	3
7	A	[Port. Lat.	11	23 *v.*50 to 24 *v.*13	12 to *v.*24	4
8	b		13 *v.*38 to 14 *v.*26	24 *v.*13	15 to *v.*16	5
9	c		15 *v.*16	John 1 to *v.*29	16 to *v.*15	2 Thessalonians 1
10	d		16 *v.*15 to 17 *v.*24	1 *v.*29	17 *v.*24 to 18 *v.*13	2
11	e		18 *v.*18	2	19 to *v.*24	3
12	f		19 *v.*24	3 to *v.*22	21 to *v.*15	1 Timothy 1 to *v.*18
13	g		23 to *v.*24	3 *v.*22	24	1 *v.*18 & 2
14	A		1 Kings 1 to *v.*28	4 to *v.*31	1 Kings 1 *v.*28 to *v.*49	3
15	b		1 Chron. 29 *v.*10	4 *v.*31	3	4
16	c		1 Kings 4 *v.*20	5 to *v.*24	5	5
17	d		6 to *v.*15	5 *v.*24	8 to *v.*22	6
18	e		8 *v.*22 to *v.*54	6 to *v.*22	8 *v.*54 to 9 *v.*10	2 Timothy 1
19	f	Dunstan, Abp.	10	6 *v.*22 to *v.*41	11 to *v.*26	2
20	g		11 *v.*26	6 *v.*41	12 to *v.*25	3
21	A		12 *v.*25 to 13 *v.*11	7 to *v.*25	13 *v.*11	4
22	b		14 to *v.*21	7 *v.*25	15 *v.*25 to 16 *v.*8	Titus 1
23	c		16 *v.*8	8 to *v.*31	17	2
24	d		18 to *v.*17	8 *v.*31	18 *v.*17	3
25	e		19	9 to *v.*39	21	Philemon
26	f	Augustin, Abp.	22 to *v.*41	9 *v.*39 to 10 *v.*22	2 Kings 1	Hebrews 1
27	g	Ven. Bede, Presb.	2 Kings 2	10 *v.*22	4 *v.*8	2 & 3 to *v.*7
28	A		5	11 to *v.*17	6 to *v.*24	3 *v.*7 to 4 *v.*14
29	b		6 *v.*24	11 *v.*17 to *v.*47	7	4 *v.*14 & 5
30	c		8 to *v.*16	11 *v.*47 to 12 *v.*20	9	6
31	d		10 to *v.*18	12 *v.*20	10 *v.*18	7

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JUNE hath xxx Days.			MORNING PRAYER. First Lesson.	MORNING PRAYER. Second Lesson.	EVENING PRAYER. First Lesson.	EVENING PRAYER. Second Lesson.
1	e	Nicomede, P. & M.	2 Kings 13	John 13 to *v.*21	2 Kings 17 to *v.*24	Hebrews 8
2	f		17 *v.*24	13 *v.*21	2 Chronicles 12	9
3	g		2 Chronicles 13	14	14	10 to *v.*19
4	A		15	15	16 & 17 to *v.*14	10 *v.*19
5	b	Boniface, Bishop	19	16 to *v.*16	20 to *v.*31	11 to *v.*17
6	c		20 *v.*31 & 21	16 *v.*16	22	11 *v.*17
7	d		23	17	24	12
8	e		25	18 to *v.*28	26 & 27	13
9	f		28	18 *v.*28	2 Kings 18 to *v.*9	James 1
10	g		29 *v.*3 to *v.*21	19 to *v.*25	2 Chronicles 30 & 31 *v.*1	2
11	A	*St. Barnabas*, Ap.	Deut. 33 to *v.*12	Acts 4 *v.*31	Nahum 1	Acts 14 *v.*8
12	b		2 Kings 18 *v.*13	John 19 *v.*25	2 Kings 19 to *v.*20	James 3
13	c		19 *v.*20	20 to *v.*19	20	4
14	d		Isaiah 38 *v.*9 to *v.*21	20 *v.*19	2 Chronicles 33	5
15	e		2 Kings 22	21	2 Kings 23 to *v.*21	1 Peter 1 to *v.*22
16	f		23 *v.*21 to 24 *v.*8.	Acts 1	24 *v.*8 to 25 *v.*8	1 *v.*22 to 2 *v.*11
17	g	St. Alban, Mart.	25 *v.*8	2 to *v.*22	Ezra 1 & 3	2 *v.*11 to 3 *v.*8
18	A		Ezra 4	2 *v.*22	5	3 *v.*8 to 4 *v.*7
19	b		7	3	8 *v.*15	4 *v.*7
20	c	Tr. of King Edw.	9	4 to *v.*32	10 to *v.*20	5
21	d		Nehemiah 1	4 *v.*32 to 5 *v.*17	Nehemiah 2	2 Peter 1
22	e		4	5 *v.*17	5	2
23	f	Fast.	6 & 7 to *v.*5	6	7 *v.*73 & 8	3
24	g	*St. John Baptist.*	Malachi 3 to *v.*7	Matthew 3	Malachi 4	Matthew 14 to *v.*13
25	A		Nehemiah 13 to *v.*15.	Acts 7 to *v.*35	Nehemiah 13 *v.*15	1 John 1
26	b		Esther 1	7 *v.*35 to 8 *v.*5	Esther 2 *v.*15 & 3	2 to *v.*15
27	c		4	8 *v.*5 to *v.*26	5	2 *v.*15
28	d	Fast.	6	8 *v.*26	7	3 to *v.*16
29	e	*St. Peter*, Apostle.	Ezekiel 3 *v.*4 to *v.*15.	John 21 *v.*15 to *v.*23	Zechariah 3	Acts 4 *v.*8 to *v.*23
30	f		Job 1	Acts 9 to *v.*23	Job 2	1 John 3 *v.*16 to 4 *v.*7

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JULY hath xxxi Days.			MORNING PRAYER. First Lesson.	MORNING PRAYER. Second Lesson.	EVENING PRAYER. First Lesson.	EVENING PRAYER. Second Lesson.
1	g	.. ..	Job 3	Acts 9 *v.*23	Job 4	1 John 4 *v.*7
2	A	Visit. of V. Mary ..	5	10 to *v.*24	6	5
3	b	.. ..	7	10 *v.*24	9	2 John
4	c	Tr. of St. Martin ..	10	11	11	3 John
5	d	.. ..	12	12	13	Jude
6	e	.. ..	14	13 to *v.*26	16	Matthew 1 *v.*18
7	f	.. ..	17	13 *v.*26	19	2
8	g	.. ..	21	14	22 *v.*12 to *v.*29 ..	3
9	A	.. ..	23	15 to *v.*30	24	4 to *v.*23
10	b	.. ..	25 & 26	15 *v.*30 to 16 *v.*16 .	27	4 *v.*23 to 5 *v.*13
11	c	.. ..	28	16 *v.*16	29 & 30 *v.*1 ..	5 *v.*13 to *v.*33
12	d	.. ..	30 *v.*12 to *v.*27 ..	17 to *v.*16	31 *v.*13	5 *v.*33
13	e	.. ..	32	17 *v.*16	38 to *v.*39	6 to *v.*19
14	f	.. ..	38 *v.*39 & 39 ..	18 to *v.*24	40	6 *v.*19 to 7 *v.*7
15	g	Swithun, Bishop ..	41	18 *v.*24 to 19 *v.*21	42	7 *v.*7
16	A	.. ..	Proverbs 1 to *v.*20 ..	19 *v.*21	Proverbs 1 *v.*20 ..	8 to *v.*18
17	b	.. ..	2	20 to *v.*17	3 to *v.*27	8 *v.*18
18	c	.. ..	3 *v.*27 to 4 *v.*20 ..	20 *v.*17	4 *v.*20 to 5 *v.*15 ..	9 to *v.*18
19	d	.. ..	5 *v.*15	21 to *v.*17	6 to *v.*20	9 *v.*18
20	e	Marg. V. & M. ..	7	21 *v.*17 to *v.*37 ..	8	10 to *v.*24
21	f	.. ..	9	21 *v.*37 to 22 *v.*23	10 *v.*16	10 *v.*24
22	g	St. Mary Magd. ..	11 to *v.*15	22 *v.*23 to 23 *v.*12	11 *v.*15	11
23	A	.. ..	12 *v.*10	23 *v.*12	13	12 to *v.*22
24	b	.. .. .. Fast.	14 *v.*9 to *v.*28 ..	24	14 *v.*28 to 15 *v.*18	12 *v.*22
25	c	*St. James*, Apostle.	2 Kings 1 to *v.*16 ..	Luke 9 *v.*51 to *v.*57 ..	Jer. 26 *v.*8 to *v.*16 ..	13 to *v.*24
26	d	St. Anne..	Proverbs 15 *v.*18 ..	Acts 25	Proverbs 16 to *v.*20 .	13 *v.*24 to *v.*53
27	e	.. ..	16 *v.*31 to 17 *v.*18	26	18 *v.*10	13 *v.*53 to 14 *v.*13
28	f	.. ..	19 *v.*13	27	20 to *v.*23	14 *v.*13
29	g	.. ..	21 to *v.*17	28 to *v.*17	22 to *v.*17	15 to *v.*21
30	A	.. ..	23 *v.*10	28 *v.*17	24 *v.*21	15 *v.*21
31	b	.. ..	25	Romans 1	26 to *v.*21	16 to *v.*24

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AUGUST hath xxxi Days.			MORNING PRAYER. First Lesson.	MORNING PRAYER. Second Lesson.	EVENING PRAYER. First Lesson.	EVENING PRAYER. Second Lesson.
1	c	Lammas Day ..	Proverbs 27 to *v.*23 .	Romans 2 to *v.*17 ..	Proverbs 28 to *v.*15 ..	Matt. 16 *v.*24 to 17 *v.*14
2	d	.. ..	30 to *v.*18	2 *v.*17	31 *v.*10	17 *v.*14
3	e	.. ..	Ecclesiastes 1	3	Ecclesiastes 2 to *v.*12	18 to *v.*21
4	f	.. ..	3	4	4	18 *v.*21 to 19 *v.*3
5	g	.. ..	5	5	6	19 *v.*3 to *v.*27
6	A	Transfiguration ..	7	6	8	19 *v.*27 to 20 *v.*17
7	b	Name of Jesus ..	9	7	11	20 *v.*17
8	c	.. ..	12	8 to *v.*18	Jeremiah 1	21 to *v.*23
9	d	.. ..	Jeremiah 2 to *v.*14 ..	8 *v.*18	5 to *v.*19	21 *v.*23
10	e	St. Lawrence, M...	5 *v.*19	9 to *v.*19	6 to *v.*22	22 to *v.*15
11	f	.. ..	7 to *v.*17	9 *v.*19	8 *v.*4	22 *v.*15 to *v.*41
12	g	.. ..	9 to *v.*17	10	13 *v.*8 to *v.*24 ..	22 *v.*41 to 23 *v.*13
13	A	.. ..	15	11 to *v.*25	17 to *v.*19	23 *v.*13
14	b	.. ..	18 to *v.*18	11 *v.*25	19	24 to *v.*29
15	c	.. ..	21	12	22 to *v.*13	24 *v.*29
16	d	.. ..	22 *v.*13	13	23 to *v.*16	25 to *v.*31
17	e	.. ..	24	14 & 15 to *v.*8 ..	25 to *v.*15	25 *v.*31
18	f	.. ..	26	15 *v.*8	28	26 to *v.*31
19	g	.. ..	29 *v.*4 to *v.*20 ..	16	30	26 *v.*31 to *v.*57
20	A	.. ..	31 to *v.*15	1 Corinthians 1 to *v.*26	31 *v.*15 to *v.*38 ..	26 *v* 57
21	b	.. ..	33 to *v.*14	1 *v.*26 & 2	33 *v.*14	27 to *v.*27
22	c	.. ..	35	3	36 to *v.*14 .. .	27 *v.*27 to *v.*57
23	d	.. .. .. Fast.	36 *v.*14	4 to *v.*18	38 to *v.*34	27 *v.*57
24	e	*St. Barthol.*, Ap. ..	Genesis 28 *v.*10 to *v.*18	4 *v.*18 & 5	Deuteronomy 18 *v.*15	28
25	f	.. ..	Jeremiah 38 *v.*14 ..	6	Jeremiah 39	Mark 1 to *v.*21
26	g	.. ..	50 to *v.*21	7 to *v.*25	51 *v.*54	1 *v.*21
27	A	.. ..	Ezekiel 1 to *v.*15 ..	7 *v.*25	Ezekiel 1 *v.*15	2 to *v.*23
28	b	St. Augustin, B. ..	2	8	3 to *v.*15	2 *v.*23 to 3 *v.*13
29	c	Beheading of St.	3 *v.*15	9	8	3 *v.*13
30	d	.. [John Baptist.	9	10 & 11 *v.*1	11 *v.*14	4 to *v.*35
31	e	.. ..	12 *v.*17	11 *v.* 2 to *v.*17 ..	13 to *v.*17	4 *v.*35 to 5 *v.*21

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SEPTEMBER hath xxx Days.			MORNING PRAYER. First Lesson.	MORNING PRAYER. Second Lesson.	EVENING PRAYER. First Lesson.	EVENING PRAYER. Second Lesson.
1	f	Giles, Abbot... ..	Ezekiel 13 *v.*17 ..	1 Corinthians 11 *v.*17	Ezekiel 14 to *v.*12 ..	Mark 5 *v.*21
2	g	.. ..	14 *v.*12	12 to *v.*28	16 *v.*44	6 to *v.*14
3	A	.. ..	18 to *v.*19	12 *v.*28 & 13 ..	18 *v.*19	6 *v.*14 to *v.*30
4	b	.. ..	20 to *v.*18	14 to *v.*20	20 *v.*18 to *v.*33 ..	6 *v.*30
5	c	.. ..	20 *v.*33 to *v.*44 ..	14 *v.*20..	22 *v.*23	7 to *v.*24
6	d	.. ..	24 *v.*15	15 to *v.*35	26	7 *v.*24 to 8 *v.*10
7	e	Evurtius, Bp. ..	27 to *v.*26	15 *v.*35..	27 *v.*26	8 *v.*10 to 9 *v.*2
8	f	Nat. of Vir. Mary ..	28 to *v.*20	16	31	9 *v.*2 to *v.*30
9	g	.. ..	32 to *v.*17	2 Corinthians 1 to *v.*23	33 to *v.*21	9 *v.*30
10	A	.. ..	33 *v.*21	4 *v.*23 to 2 *v.*14 ..	34 to *v.*17	10 to *v.*32
11	b	.. ..	34 *v.*17	2 *v.*14 & 3	36 *v.*16 to *v.*33 ..	10 *v.*32
12	c	.. ..	37 to *v.*15	4	37 *v.*15	11 to *v.*27
13	d	.. ..	47 to *v.*13	5	Daniel 1	11 *v.*27 to 12 *v.*13
14	e	Holy Cross day ..	Daniel 2 to *v.*24 ..	6 & 7 *v.*1	2 *v.*24	12 *v.*13 to *v.*35
15	f	.. ..	3	7 *v.*2	4 to *v.*19	12 *v.*35 to 13 *v.*14
16	g	.. ..	4 *v.*19	8	5 to *v.*17	13 *v.*14
17	A	Lambert, Bp. ..	5 *v.*17	9	6	14 to *v.*27
18	b	.. ..	7 to *v.*15	10	7 *v.*15	14 *v.*27 to *v.*53
19	c	.. ..	9 to *v.*20	11 to *v.*30	9 *v.*20	14 *v.*53
20	d	.. .. Fast.	10 to *v.*20	11 *v.*30 to 12 *v.*14 .	12..	15 to *v.*42
21	e	*St. Matthew*, Ap. ..	1 Kings 19 *v.*15 ..	12 *v.*14 & 13 ..	1 Chronicles 29 to *v.*20	15 *v.*42 & 16
22	f	.. ..	Hosea 2 *v.*14	Galatians 1	Hosea 4 to *v.*13.. ..	Luke 1 to *v.*26
23	g	.. ..	5 *v.*8 to 6 *v.*7 ..	2	7 *v.*8	1 *v.*26 to *v.*57
24	A	.. ..	8	3	9	1 *v.*57
25	b	.. ..	10	4 to *v.*21	11 & 12 to *v.*7 ..	2 to *v.*21
26	c	St. Cyprian, Abp. .	13 to *v.*15	4 *v.*21 to 5 *v.*13 ..	14..	2 *v.*21
27	d	.. ..	Joel 1..	5 *v.*13	Joel 2 to *v.*15	3 to *v.*23
28	e	.. ..	2 *v.*15 to *v.*28 ..	6	2 *v.*28 to 3 *v.*9 ..	4 to *v.*16
29	f	*St. Michael and All Angels.*	Genesis 32	Acts 12 *v.*5 to *v.*18 ..	Daniel 10 *v.*4	Revelation 14 *v.*14
30	g	St. Jerom.	Joel 3 *v.*9	Ephesians 1	Amos 1 & 2 to *v.*4 ..	Luke 4 *v.*16

THE CALENDAR, WITH THE TABLE OF LESSONS.

OCTOBER hath xxxi Days.			MORNING PRAYER.		EVENING PRAYER.	
			First Lesson.	*Second Lesson.*	*First Lesson.*	*Second Lesson.*
1	A	Remigius, Bp.	Amos 2 *v.*4 to 3 *v.*9	Ephesians 2	Amos 4 *v.*4	Luke 5 to *v.*17
2	b		5 to *v.*18	3	5 *v.*18 to 6 *v.*9	5 *v.*17
3	c		7	4 to *v.*25	8	6 to *v.*20
4	d		9	4 *v.*25 to 5 *v.*22	Obadiah.	6 *v.*20
5	e		Jonah 1	5 *v.*22 to 6 *v.*10	Jonah 2	7 to *v.*24
6	f	Faith, V. & M.	3	6 *v.*10	4	7 *v.*24
7	g		Micah 1 to *v.*10	Philippians 1	Micah 2	8 to *v.*26
8	A		3	2	4	8 *v.*26
9	b	St. Denys, Bp.	5	3	6	9 to *v.*28
10	c		7	4	Nahum 1	9 *v.*28 to *v.*51
11	d		Nahum 2	Colossians 1 to *v.*21	3	9 *v.*51 to 10 *v.*17
12	e		Habakkuk 1	1 *v.*21 to 2 *v.*8	Habakkuk 2	10 *v.*17
13	f	Trans. K. Edw.	3	2 *v.*8	Zephaniah 1 to *v.*14	11 to *v.*29
14	g		Zeph. 1 *v.*14 to 2 *v.*4	3 to *v.*18	2 *v.*4	11 *v.*29
15	A		3	3 *v.*18 & 4	Haggai 1	12 to *v.*35
16	b		Haggai 2 to *v.*10	1 Thessalonians 1	2 *v.*10	12 *v.*35
17	c	Etheldreda, V.	Zechariah 1 to *v.*18	2	Zechariah 1 *v.*18 & 2	13 to *v.*18
18	d	*St. Luke*, Evang.	Isaiah 55	3	Eccius. 38 to *v.*15	13 *v.*18
19	e		Zechariah 3	4	Zechariah 4	14 to *v.*25
20	f		5	5	6	14 *v.*25 to 15 *v.*11
21	g		7	2 Thessalonians 1	8 to *v.*14	15 *v.*11
22	A		8 *v.*14	2	9 *v.*9	16
23	b		10	3	11	17 to *v.*20
24	c		12	1 Timothy 1 to *v.*18	13	17 *v.*20
25	d	Crispin, Martyr	14	1 *v.*18 & 2	Malachi 1	18 to *v.*31
26	e		Malachi 2	3	3 to *v.*13	18 *v.*31 to 19 *v.*11
27	f	Fast.	3 *v.*13 & 4	4	Wisdom 1	19 *v.*11 to *v.*28
28	g	*St. Simon & St. Jude*	Isaiah 28 *v.*9 to *v.*17	5	Jer. 3 *v.*12 to *v.*19	19 *v.*28
29	A		Wisdom 2	6	Wisdom 4 *v.*7	20 to *v.*27
30	b		6 to *v.*22	2 Timothy 1	6 *v.*22 to 7 *v.*15	20 *v.*27 to 21 *v.*5
31	c	Fast.	7 *v.*15	2	8 to *v.* 19	21 *v.*5

THE CALENDAR, WITH THE TABLE OF LESSONS.

NOVEMBER hath xxx Days.			MORNING PRAYER.		EVENING PRAYER.	
			First Lesson.	*Second Lesson.*	*First Lesson.*	*Second Lesson.*
1	d	*All Saints' Day*	Wisdom 3 to *v.*10	Hebrews 11 *v.*33 & 12 to *v.*7	Wisdom 5 to *v.*17	Revelation 19 to *v.*17
2	e		9	2 Timothy 3	11 to *v.*15	Luke 22 to *v.*31
3	f		11 *v.*15 to 12 *v.*3	4	17	22 *v.*31 to *v.*54
4	g		Ecclus. 1 to *v.*14	Titus 1	Ecclesiasticus 2	22 *v.*54
5	A		3 *v.*17 to *v.*30	2	4 *v.*10	23 to *v.*26
6	b	Leonard, Conf.	5	3	7 *v.*27	23 *v.*26 to *v.*50
7	c		10 *v.*18	Philemon.	14 to *v.*20	23 *v.*50 to 24 *v.*13
8	d		15 *v.*9	Hebrews 1	16 *v.*17	24 *v.*13
9	e		18 to *v.*15	2 & 3 to *v.*7	18 *v.*15	John 1 to *v.*29
10	f		19 *v.*13	3 *v.*7 to 4 *v.*14	22 *v.*6 to *v.*24	1 *v.*29
11	g	St. Martin, Bp.	24 to *v.*24	4 *v.*14 & 5	24 *v.*24	2
12	A		33 *v.*7 to *v.*23	6	34 *v.*15	3 to *v.*22
13	b	Britius, Bishop	35	7	37 *v.*8 to *v.*19	3 *v.*22
14	c		39 to *v.*13	8	39 *v.*17	4 to *v.*31
15	d	Machutus, Bishop	41 to *v.*14	9	42 *v.*15	4 *v.*31
16	e		44 to *v.*16	10 to *v.*19	50 to *v.*25	5 to *v.*24
17	f	Hugh, Bishop	51 *v.*10	10 *v.*19	Baruch 4 to *v.*21	5 *v.*24
18	g		Baruch 4 *v.*36 & 5	11 to *v.*17	Isaiah 1 to *v.*21	6 to *v.*22
19	A		Isaiah 1 *v.*21	11 *v.*17	2	6 *v.*22 to *v.*41
20	b	Edmund, King	3 to *v.*16	12	4 *v.*2	6 *v.*41
21	c		5 to *v.*18	13	5 *v.*18	7 to *v.*25
22	d	Cecilia, V. & M.	6	James 1	7 to *v.*17	7 *v.*25
23	e	St. Clement, Bishop	8 *v.*5 to *v.*18	2	8 *v.*18 to 9 *v.*8	8 to *v.*31
24	f		9 *v.*8 to 10 *v.*5	3	10 *v.*5 to *v.*20	8 *v.*31
25	g	Catherine, V. & M.	10 *v.*20	4	11 to *v.*10	9 to *v.*39
26	A		11 *v.*10	5	12	9 *v.*39 to 10 *v.*22
27	b		13	1 Peter 1 to *v.*22	14 to *v.*24	10 *v.*22
28	c		17	1 *v.*22 to 2 *v.*11	18	11 to *v.*17
29	d	Fast.	19 to *v.*16	2 *v.*11 to 3 *v.*8	19 *v.*16	11 *v.*17 to *v.*47
30	e	*St. Andrew*, Ap.	54	John 1 *v.*35 to *v.*43	65 to *v.*17	12 *v.*20 to *v.*42

THE CALENDAR, WITH THE TABLE OF LESSONS.

DECEMBER hath xxxi Days.			MORNING PRAYER. First Lesson.	MORNING PRAYER. Second Lesson.	EVENING PRAYER. First Lesson.	EVENING PRAYER. Second Lesson.
1	f	.. ..	Isaiah 21 to *v.*13 ..	1 Peter 3 *v.*8 to 4 *v.*7	Isaiah 22 to *v.*15 ..	John 11 *v.*47 to 12 *v.*20
2	g	.. ..	22 *v.*15	4 *v.*7	23	12 *v.*20
3	A	.. ..	24	5	25	13 to *v.*21
4	b	.. ..	26 to *v.*20	2 Peter 1	26 *v.*20 & 27 ..	13 *v.*21
5	c	.. ..	28 to *v.*14	2	28 *v.*14	14
6	d	Nicolas, Bishop ..	29 to *v.*9	3	29 *v.*9	15
7	e	.. ..	30 to *v.*18	1 John 1	30 *v.*18	16 to *v.*16
8	f	Conception of V.M.	31	2 to *v.*15	32	16 *v.*16
9	g	.. ..	33	2 *v.*15	34	17
10	A	.. ..	35	3 to *v.*16	40 to *v.*12	18 to *v.*28
11	b	.. ..	40 *v.*12	3 *v.*16 to 4 *v.*7 ..	41 to *v.*17	18 *v.*28
12	c	.. ..	41 *v.*17	4 *v.*7	42 to *v.*18	19 to *v.*25
13	d	Lucy, Vir. & M. ..	42 *v.*18 to 43 *v.*8	5	43 *v.*8	19 *v.*25
14	e	.. ..	44 to *v.*21	2 John.	44 *v.*21 to 45 *v.*8	20 to *v.*19
15	f	.. ..	45 *v.*8	3 John.	46	20 *v.*19
16	g	O Sapient a	47	Jude.	48	21
17	A	.. ..	49 to *v.*13	Revelation 1	49 *v.*13..	Revelation 2 to *v.*28
18	b	.. ..	50	2 *v.*18 to 3 *v.*7 ..	51 to *v.*9	3 *v.*7
19	c	.. ..	51 *v.*9	4	52 to *v.*13	5
20	d	.. .. .. Fast.	52 *v.*13 & 53 ..	6	54	7
21	e	*St. Thomas*, Apos. .	Job 42 to *v.*7	John 20 *v.*19 to *v.*24 .	35	John 14 to *v.*8
22	f	.. ..	Isaiah 55	Revelation 8	56	Revelation 10
23	g	.. ..	57	11	58	12
24	A	.. .. .. Fast.	59	14..	60	15
25	b	*Christmas-Day* ..	9 to *v.*8	Luke 2 to *v.*15	7 *v.*10 to *v.*17 ..	Titus 3 *v.*4 to *v.*9
26	c	*St. Stephen*, M. ..	Genesis 4 to *v.*11 ..	Acts 6	2 Chron. 24 *v.*15 to *v.*23	Acts 8 to *v.*9
27	d	*St. John*, Evang. ..	Exodus 33 *v.*9	John 13 *v.*23 to *v.*36 ..	Isaiah 6	Revelation 1
28	e	*Innocents' Day.* ..	Jeremiah 31 to *v.*18 .	Revelation 16	Baruch 4 *v.*21 to *v.*31	18
29	f	.. ..	Isaiah 61	19 to *v.*11	Isaiah 62	19 *v.*11
30	g	.. ..	63	20..	64 & 65 to *v.*8 ..	21 to *v.*15
31	A	Silvester, Bishop ..	65 *v.*8	21 *v.*15 to 22 *v* 6..	66..	22 *v.*6

TABLES AND RULES

FOR

THE MOVEABLE AND IMMOVEABLE FEASTS;

TOGETHER WITH

THE DAYS OF FASTING AND ABSTINENCE,

THROUGH THE WHOLE YEAR.

RULES TO KNOW WHEN THE MOVEABLE FEASTS AND HOLY-DAYS BEGIN.

EASTER-DAY, on which the rest depend, is always the First Sunday after the Full Moon, which happens upon, or next after the Twenty first Day of *March*; and if the Full Moon happens upon a Sunday, *Easter-day* is the Sunday after.

Advent Sunday is always the nearest Sunday to the Feast of St. *Andrew*, whether before or after.

Septuagesima *Sexagesima* *Quinquagesima* *Quadragesima*	Sunday is	Nine . . . . . Eight . . . . . Seven . . . . . Six	Weeks before *Easter*.
Rogation Sunday *Ascension-day* *Whitsunday* *Trinity* Sunday	is	Five Weeks Forty Days Seven Weeks Eight Weeks	after *Easter*.

A TABLE OF ALL THE FEASTS THAT ARE TO BE OBSERVED IN THE CHURCH OF *ENGLAND* THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

All Sundays in the Year.

The Days of the Feasts of

- The Circumcision of our Lord JESUS CHRIST.
- The Epiphany.
- The Conversion of St. *Paul*.
- The Purification of the Blessed Virgin.
- St. *Matthias* the Apostle.
- The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin.
- St. *Mark* the Evangelist.
- St. *Philip* and St. *James* the Apostles.
- The Ascension of our Lord JESUS CHRIST.
- St. *Barnabas*.
- The Nativity of St. *John Baptist*.

The Days of the Feasts of

- St. *Peter* the Apostle.
- St. *James* the Apostle.
- St. *Bartholomew* the Apostle.
- St. *Matthew* the Apostle.
- St. *Michael* and all Angels.
- St. *Luke* the Evangelist.
- St. *Simon* and St. *Jude* the Apostles.
- All Saints.
- St. *Andrew* the Apostle.
- St. *Thomas* the Apostle.
- The Nativity of our Lord.
- St. *Stephen* the Martyr.
- St. *John* the Evangelist.
- The Holy Innocents.

Monday and Tuesday in *Easter-week*.
Monday and Tuesday in *Whitsun-week*.

A TABLE

OF THE

VIGILS, FASTS, AND DAYS OF ABSTINENCE,

TO BE OBSERVED IN THE YEAR.

The Evens or Vigils before	The Nativity of our Lord. The Purification of the Blessed Virgin *Mary*. The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin. *Easter-day*. *Ascension-day*. *Pentecost* St. *Matthias*.	The Evens or Vigils before	St. *John Baptist*. St. *Peter*. St. *James*. St. *Bartholomew*. St. *Matthew*. St. *Simon* and *Jude*. St. *Andrew*. St. *Thomas*. All Saints

Note, That if any of these Feast-days fall upon a Monday, then the Vigil or Fast-day shall be kept upon the Saturday, and not upon the Sunday next before it.

DAYS OF FASTING, OR ABSTINENCE.

I. The Forty Days of Lent.

II. The Ember-days at the Four Seasons, being the Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday after
- The First Sunday in Lent.
- The Feast of Pentecost.
- *September* 14.
- *December* 13.

III. The Three Rogation-days, being the Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday before Holy Thursday, or the Ascension of our Lord.

IV. All the Fridays in the Year, except *Christmas-day*.

A SOLEMN DAY, FOR WHICH A PARTICULAR SERVICE IS APPOINTED.

The Anniversary of the Day of the Accession of the Reigning Sovereign.

TABLE TO FIND EASTER-DAY

FROM THE PRESENT TIME TILL THE YEAR 2199 INCLUSIVE, ACCORDING TO THE FOREGOING CALENDAR.

Golden Number.	Day of the Month.	Sunday Letter.
	March 21	C
XIV.	—— 22	D
III.	—— 23	E
	—— 24	F
XI.	—— 25	G
	—— 26	A
XIX.	—— 27	B
VIII.	—— 28	C
	—— 29	D
XVI.	—— 30	E
V.	—— 31	F
	April 1	G
XIII.	—— 2	A
II.	—— 3	B
	—— 4	C
X.	—— 5	D
	—— 6	E
XVIII.	—— 7	F
VII.	—— 8	G
	—— 9	A
XV.	—— 10	B
IV.	—— 11	C
	—— 12	D
XII.	—— 13	E
I.	—— 14	F
	—— 15	G
IX.	—— 16	A
XVII.	—— 17	B
VI.	—— 18	C
	—— 19	D
	—— 20	E
	—— 21	F
	—— 22	G
	—— 23	A
	—— 24	B
	—— 25	C

THIS Table contains so much of the Calendar as is necessary for the determining of *Easter*; to find which, look for the Golden Number of the Year in the First Column of the Table, against which stands the Day of the Paschal Full Moon; then look in the Third Column for the Sunday Letter, next after the Day of the Full Moon, and the Day of the Month standing against that Sunday Letter is *Easter-day*. If the Full Moon happens upon a Sunday, then (according to the first Rule) the next Sunday after is *Easter-day*.

To find the Golden Number, or Prime, add One to the Year of our Lord, and then divide by 19; the Remainder, if any, is the Golden Number; but if nothing remaineth, then 19 is the Golden Number.

To find the Dominical or Sunday Letter, according to the Calendar, until the Year 2099 inclusive, add to the Year of our Lord its Fourth Part, omitting Fractions, and also the Number 6: Divide the Sum by 7; and if there is no Remainder, then A is the Sunday Letter: But if any Number remaineth, then the Letter standing against that Number in the small annexed Table, is the Sunday Letter.

0	A
1	G
2	F
3	E
4	D
5	C
6	B

For the next following Century, that is, from the Year 2100 till the Year 2199 inclusive, add to the current Year its Fourth Part, and also the Number 5, and then divide by 7, and proceed as in the last Rule.

Note, That in all Bissextile or Leap-Years, the Letter found, as above, will be the Sunday Letter from the intercalated Day exclusive, to the End of the Year.

ANOTHER TABLE TO FIND EASTER

TILL THE YEAR 2199 INCLUSIVE.

SUNDAY LETTERS.

Golden Number.	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
I.	April 16	— 17	— 18	— 19	— 20	— 21	— 15
II.	April 9	— 10	— 4	— 5	— 6	— 7	— 8
III.	Mar. 26	— 27	— 28	— 29	— 30	— 24	— 25
IV.	April 16	— 17	— 18	— 12	— 13	— 14	— 15
V.	April 2	— 3	— 4	— 5	— 6	— 7	— 1
VI.	April 23	— 24	— 25	— 19	— 20	— 21	— 22
VII.	April 9	— 10	— 11	— 12	— 13	— 14	— 15
VIII.	April 2	— 3	— 4	Mar. 29	— 30	— 31	April 1
IX.	April 23	— 17	— 18	— 19	— 20	— 21	— 22
X.	April 9	— 10	— 11	— 12	— 6	— 7	— 8
XI.	Mar. 26	— 27	— 28	— 29	— 30	— 31	April 1
XII.	April 16	— 17	— 18	— 19	— 20	— 14	— 15
XIII.	April 9	— 3	— 4	— 5	— 6	— 7	— 8
XIV.	Mar. 26	— 27	— 28	— 29	— 23	— 24	— 25
XV.	April 16	— 17	— 11	— 12	— 13	— 14	— 15
XVI.	April 2	— 3	— 4	— 5	— 6	Mar. 31	April 1
XVII.	April 23	— 24	— 18	— 19	— 20	— 21	— 22
XVIII.	April 9	— 10	— 11	— 12	— 13	— 14	— 8
XIX.	April 2	— 3	Mar. 28	— 29	— 30	— 31	April 1

TO make use of the preceding Table, find the Sunday Letter for the Year in the Uppermost Line, and the Golden Number, or Prime, in the Column of Golden Numbers, and against the Prime, in the same Line under the Sunday Letter, you have the Day of the Month on which *Easter* falleth that Year. But Note, that the Name of the Month is set on the Left Hand, or just with the Figure, and followeth not, as in other Tables, by Descent, but Collateral.

A TABLE OF THE MOVEABLE FEASTS

FOR FORTY-SIX YEARS,

ACCORDING TO THE FOREGOING CALENDAR.

The Year of our Lord.	Golden Number.	The Epact.	Sunday Letter.	Sund. aft. Epiph.	Septuagesima Sunday.	The First Day of Lent.	Easter-day.	Rogation Sunday.	Ascension-day.	Whitsunday.	Sund. aft. Trinity.	Advent Sunday.
1947	10	8	E	3	Feb. 2	Feb. 19	Apr. 6	May 11	May 15	May 25	25	Nov. 30
1948	11	19	DC	2	Jan. 25	— 11	Mar. 28	— 2	— 6	— 16	26	— 28
1949	12	0	B	5	Feb. 13	Mar. 2	Apr. 17	— 22	— 26	June 5	23	— 27
1950	13	11	A	4	— 5	Feb. 22	— 9	— 14	— 18	May 28	25	Dec. 3
1951	14	22	G	2	Jan. 21	— 7	Mar. 25	Apr. 29	— 3	— 13	27	— 2
1952	15	3	FE	4	Feb. 10	— 27	Apr. 13	May 18	— 22	June 1	24	Nov. 30
1953	16	14	D	3	— 1	— 18	— 5	— 10	— 14	May 24	25	— 29
1954	17	26	C	5	— 14	Mar. 3	— 18	— 23	— 27	June 6	23	— 28
1955	18	6	B	4	— 6	Feb. 23	— 10	— 15	— 19	May 29	24	— 27
1956	19	17	AG	3	Jan. 29	— 15	— 1	— 6	— 10	— 20	26	Dec. 2
1957	1	29	F	5	Feb. 17	Mar. 6	— 21	— 26	— 30	June 9	23	— 1
1958	2	10	E	3	— 2	Feb. 19	— 6	— 11	— 15	May 25	25	Nov. 30
1959	3	21	D	2	Jan. 25	— 11	Mar. 29	— 3	— 7	— 17	26	— 29
1960	4	2	CB	5	Feb. 14	Mar. 2	Apr. 17	— 22	— 26	June 5	23	— 27
1961	5	13	A	3	Jan. 29	Feb. 15	— 2	— 7	— 11	May 21	26	Dec. 3
1962	6	24	G	6	Feb. 18	Mar. 7	— 22	— 27	— 31	June 10	23	— 2
1963	7	5	F	4	— 10	Feb. 27	— 14	— 19	— 23	— 2	24	— 1
1964	8	16	ED	2	Jan. 26	— 12	Mar. 29	— 3	— 7	May 17	26	Nov. 29
1965	9	27	C	5	Feb. 14	Mar. 3	Apr. 18	— 23	— 27	June 6	23	— 28
1966	10	8	B	4	— 6	Feb. 23	— 10	— 15	— 19	May 29	24	— 27
1967	11	19	A	2	Jan. 22	— 8	Mar. 26	Apr. 30	— 4	— 14	27	Dec. 3
1968	12	0	GF	5	Feb. 11	— 28	Apr. 14	May 19	— 23	June 2	24	— 1
1969	13	11	E	3	— 2	— 19	— 6	— 11	— 15	May 25	25	Nov. 30
1970	14	22	D	2	Jan. 25	— 11	Mar. 29	— 3	— 7	— 17	26	— 29
1971	15	3	C	4	Feb. 7	— 24	Apr. 11	— 16	— 20	— 30	24	— 28
1972	16	14	BA	3	Jan. 30	— 16	— 2	— 7	— 11	— 21	26	Dec. 3
1973	17	26	G	6	Feb. 18	Mar. 7	— 22	— 27	— 31	June 10	23	— 2
1974	18	6	F	4	— 10	Feb. 27	— 14	— 19	— 23	— 2	24	— 1
1975	19	17	E	2	Jan. 26	— 12	Mar. 30	— 4	— 8	May 18	26	Nov. 30
1976	1	29	DC	5	Feb. 15	Mar. 3	Apr. 18	— 23	— 27	June 6	23	— 28
1977	2	10	B	4	— 6	Feb. 23	— 10	— 15	— 19	May 29	24	— 27
1978	3	21	A	2	Jan. 22	— 8	Mar. 26	Apr. 30	— 4	— 14	27	Dec. 3
1979	4	2	G	5	Feb. 11	— 28	Apr. 15	May 20	— 24	June 3	24	— 2
1980	5	13	FE	3	— 3	— 20	— 6	— 11	— 15	May 25	25	Nov. 30
1981	6	24	D	5	— 15	Mar. 4	— 19	— 24	— 28	June 7	23	— 29
1982	7	5	C	4	— 7	Feb. 24	— 11	— 16	— 20	May 30	24	— 28
1983	8	16	B	3	Jan. 30	— 16	— 3	— 8	— 12	— 22	25	— 27
1984	9	27	AG	6	Feb. 19	Mar. 7	— 22	— 27	— 31	June 10	23	Dec. 2
1985	10	8	F	3	— 3	Feb. 20	— 7	— 12	— 16	May 26	25	— 1
1986	11	19	E	2	Jan. 26	— 12	Mar. 30	— 4	— 8	— 18	26	Nov. 30
1987	12	0	D	5	Feb. 15	Mar. 4	Apr. 19	— 24	— 28	June 7	23	— 29
1988	13	11	CB	3	Jan. 31	Feb. 17	— 3	— 8	— 12	May 22	25	— 27
1989	14	22	A	2	— 22	— 8	Mar. 26	Apr. 30	— 4	— 14	27	Dec. 3
1990	15	3	G	5	Feb. 11	— 28	Apr. 15	May 20	— 24	June 3	24	— 2
1991	16	14	F	2	Jan. 27	— 13	Mar. 31	— 5	— 9	May 19	26	— 1
1992	17	26	ED	5	Feb. 16	Mar. 4	Apr. 19	— 24	— 28	June 7	23	Nov. 29

A TABLE OF THE MOVEABLE FEASTS,

ACCORDING TO THE SEVERAL DAYS THAT EASTER CAN POSSIBLY FALL UPON.

Easter-Day.	Sun. aft. Epiph.	Septuagesima Sunday.	The First Day of Lent.	Rogation Sunday.	Ascension-Day.	Whitsunday.	Sun. aft. Trin.	Advent Sunday.
Mar. 22	1	Jan. 18	Feb. 4	Apr. 26	Apr. 30	May 10	27	Nov. 29
—— 23	1	—— 19	—— 5	—— 27	May 1	—— 11	27	—— 30
—— 24	1	—— 20	—— 6	—— 28	—— 2	—— 12	27	Dec. 1
—— 25	2	—— 21	—— 7	—— 29	—— 3	—— 13	27	—— 2
—— 26	2	—— 22	—— 8	—— 30	—— 4	—— 14	27	—— 3
—— 27	2	—— 23	—— 9	May 1	—— 5	—— 15	26	Nov. 27
—— 28	2	—— 24	—— 10	—— 2	—— 6	—— 16	26	—— 28
—— 29	2	—— 25	—— 11	—— 3	—— 7	—— 17	26	—— 29
—— 30	2	—— 26	—— 12	—— 4	—— 8	—— 18	26	—— 30
—— 31	2	—— 27	—— 13	—— 5	—— 9	—— 19	26	Dec. 1
April 1	3	—— 28	—— 14	—— 6	—— 10	—— 20	26	—— 2
—— 2	3	—— 29	—— 15	—— 7	—— 11	—— 21	26	—— 3
—— 3	3	—— 30	—— 16	—— 8	—— 12	—— 22	25	Nov. 27
—— 4	3	—— 31	—— 17	—— 9	—— 13	—— 23	25	—— 28
—— 5	3	Feb. 1	—— 18	—— 10	—— 14	—— 24	25	—— 29
—— 6	3	—— 2	—— 19	—— 11	—— 15	—— 25	25	—— 30
—— 7	3	—— 3	—— 20	—— 12	—— 16	—— 26	25	Dec. 1
—— 8	4	—— 4	—— 21	—— 13	—— 17	—— 27	25	—— 2
—— 9	4	—— 5	—— 22	—— 14	—— 18	—— 28	25	—— 3
—— 10	4	—— 6	—— 23	—— 15	—— 19	—— 29	24	Nov. 27
—— 11	4	—— 7	—— 24	—— 16	—— 20	—— 30	24	—— 28
—— 12	4	—— 8	—— 25	—— 17	—— 21	—— 31	24	—— 29
—— 13	4	—— 9	—— 26	—— 18	—— 22	June 1	24	—— 30
—— 14	4	—— 10	—— 27	—— 19	—— 23	—— 2	24	Dec. 1
—— 15	5	—— 11	—— 28	—— 20	—— 24	—— 3	24	—— 2
—— 16	5	—— 12	Mar. 1	—— 21	—— 25	—— 4	24	—— 3
—— 17	5	—— 13	—— 2	—— 22	—— 26	—— 5	23	Nov. 27
—— 18	5	—— 14	—— 3	—— 23	—— 27	—— 6	23	—— 28
—— 19	5	—— 15	—— 4	—— 24	—— 28	—— 7	23	—— 29
—— 20	5	—— 16	—— 5	—— 25	—— 29	—— 8	23	—— 30
—— 21	5	—— 17	—— 6	—— 26	—— 30	—— 9	23	Dec. 1
—— 22	6	—— 18	—— 7	—— 27	—— 31	—— 10	23	—— 2
—— 23	6	—— 19	—— 8	—— 28	June 1	—— 11	23	—— 3
—— 24	6	—— 20	—— 9	—— 29	—— 2	—— 12	22	Nov. 27
—— 25	6	—— 21	—— 10	—— 30	—— 3	—— 13	22	—— 28

Note, That in a Bissextile or Leap-Year, the Number of Sundays after *Epiphany* will be the same, as if *Easter-day* had fallen one Day later than it really does. And for the same Reason one Day must in every Leap-Year be added to the Day of the Month given by the Table for *Septuagesima* Sunday: And the like must be done for the First Day of *Lent* (commonly called *Ash-wednesday*) unless the Table gives some Day in the Month of *March* for it; for in that Case the Day given by the Table is the right Day.

TABLE TO FIND EASTER-DAY,

FROM

THE YEAR 2200, TO THE YEAR 2299 INCLUSIVE.

Golden Numbers.	Day of the Month.	Sunday Letters.
VI.	March 21	C
	— 22	D
XIV.	— 23	E
III.	— 24	F
	— 25	G
XI.	— 26	A
	— 27	B
XIX.	— 28	C
VIII.	— 29	D
	— 30	E
XVI.	— 31	F
V.	April 1	G
	— 2	A
XIII.	— 3	B
II.	— 4	C
	— 5	D
X.	— 6	E
	— 7	F
XVIII.	— 8	G
VII.	— 9	A
	— 10	B
XV.	— 11	C
IV.	— 12	D
	— 13	E
XII.	— 14	F
I.	— 15	G
	— 16	A
IX.	— 17	B
XVII.	— 18	C
	— 19	D
	— 20	E
	— 21	F
	— 22	G
	— 23	A
	— 24	B
	— 25	C

THE Golden Numbers in the foregoing Calendar will point out the Days of the Paschal Full Moons, till the Year of our LORD 2200; at which Time, in order that the Ecclesiastical Full Moons may fall nearly on the same Days with the real Full Moons, the Golden Numbers must be removed to different Days of the Calendar, as is done in the annexed Table, which contains so much of the Calendar then to be used, as is necessary for finding the Paschal Full Moons, and the Feast of Easter, from the Year 2200, to the Year 2299 inclusive. This Table is to be made use of, in all respects, as the First Table before inserted, for finding Easter till the Year 2199.

GENERAL TABLES FOR FINDING THE DOMINICAL OR SUNDAY LETTER, AND THE PLACES OF THE GOLDEN NUMBERS IN THE CALENDAR.

TABLE I.

6	5	4	3	2	1	0
B	C	D	E	F	G	A
				1600	1700	1800
1900 2000	2100	2200	2300 2400	2500	2600	2700 2800
2900	3000	3100 3200	3300	3400	3500 3600	3700
3800	3900 4000	4100	4200	4300 4400	4500	4600
4700 4800	4900	5000	5100 5200	5300	5400	5500 5600
5700	5800	5900 6000	6100	6200	6300 6400	6500
6600	6700 6800	6900	7000	7100 7200	7300	7400
7500 7600	7700	7800	7900 8000	8100	8200	8300 8400
8500	&c.					

TO find the Dominical or Sunday Letter for any given Year of our Lord, add to the Year its Fourth Part, omitting Fractions, and also the Number, which in Table I. standeth at the Top of the Column, wherein the Number of Hundreds contained in that given Year is found: Divide the Sum by 7, and if there is no Remainder, then A is the Sunday Letter; but if any Number remaineth, then the Letter, which standeth under that Number at the Top of the Table, is the Sunday Letter.

TABLE II.

1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3
	Years of our Lord.			Years of our Lord			Years of our Lord.			Years of our Lord.			Years of our Lord.	
B	1600	0		3000	6	B	4400	12		5800	18	B	7200	24
	1700	1		3100	7		4500	13		5900	19		7300	25
	1800	1	B	3200	7		4600	13	B	6000	19		7400	25
	1900	2		3300	7		4700	14		6100	19		7500	26
B	2000	2		3400	8	B	4800	14		6200	20	B	7600	26
	2100	2		3500	9		4900	14		6300	21		7700	26
	2200	3	B	3600	8		5000	15	B	6400	20		7800	27
	2300	4		3700	9		5100	16		6500	21		7900	28
B	2400	3		3800	10	B	5200	15		6600	22	B	8000	27
	2500	4		3900	10		5300	16		6700	23		8100	28
	2600	5	B	4000	10		5400	17	B	6800	22		8200	29
	2700	5		4100	11		5500	17		6900	23		8300	29
B	2800	5		4200	12	B	5600	17		7000	24	B	8400	29
	2900	6		4300	12		5700	18		7100	24		8500	0
													&c.	

TO find the Month and Days of the Month, to which the Golden Numbers ought to be prefixed in the Calendar in any given Year of our Lord, consisting of entire Hundred Years, and in all the intermediate Years betwixt that and the next Hundredth Year following, look in the Second Column of Table II. for the given Year, consisting of entire Hundreds, and Note the Number or Cypher which stands against it in the Third Column; then, in Table III. look for the same Number in the Column under any given Golden Number, which when you have found, guide your Eye Side-ways to the Left Hand, and in the First Column you will find the Month and Day, to which that Golden Number ought to be prefixed in the Calendar during that Period of One Hundred Years.

The Letter B prefixed to certain Hundredth Years in Table II. denotes those Years which are still to be accounted Bissextile or Leap-Years in the New Calendar; whereas all the other Hundredth Years are to be accounted only common Years.

TABLE III.

Paschal Full Moon.	Sunday Letter.	THE GOLDEN NUMBERS.																		
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
March 21	C	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26
March 22	D	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27
March 23	E	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28
March 24	F	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	29
March 25	G	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0
March 26	A	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1
March 27	B	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	29	10	21	2
March 28	C	15	26	7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3
March 29	D	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4
March 30	E	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5
March 31	F	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6
April 1	G	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7
April 2	A	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8
April 3	B	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9
April 4	C	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	29	10
April 5	D	23	4	15	26	7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11
April 6	E	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12
April 7	F	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	29	10	21	2	13
April 8	G	26	7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14
April 9	A	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15
April 10	B	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16
April 11	C	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17
April 12	D	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18
April 13	E	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19
April 14	F	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20
April 15	G	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	29	10	21
April 16	A	4	15	26	7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22
April 17	B	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23
April 17	B												7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24
April 18	C	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26								
April 18	C	7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25

THE ORDER FOR
MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER
DAILY TO BE SAID
AND USED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

THE Morning and Evening Prayer shall be used in the accustomed Place of the Church, Chapel, or Chancel; except it shall be otherwise determined by the Ordinary of the Place. And the Chancels shall remain as they have done in times past.

And here is to be noted, that such Ornaments of the Church, and of the Ministers thereof, at all Times of their Ministration, shall be retained, and be in use, as were in this Church of *England*, by the Authority of Parliament, in the Second Year of the Reign of King *Edward* the Sixth.

THE ORDER FOR
MORNING PRAYER,
DAILY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

¶ *At the beginning of Morning Prayer the Minister shall read with a loud voice some one or more of these Sentences of the Scriptures that follow. And then he shall say that which is written after the said Sentences.*

WHEN the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive. *Ezekiel* 18. 27.

I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. *Psalm* 51. 3.

Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities. *Psalm* 51. 9.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise. *Psalm* 51. 17.

Rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil. *Joel* 2. 13.

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him: neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws which he set before us. *Daniel* 9. 9, 10.

O Lord, correct me, but with judgement; not in thine anger, lest thou bring me to nothing. *Jeremiah* 10. 24. *Psalm* 6. 1.

Repent ye; for the Kingdom of heaven is at hand. *St. Matthew* 3. 2.

I will arise, and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son. *St. Luke* 15. 18, 19.

Enter not into judgement with thy servant, O Lord; for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. *Psalm* 143. 2.

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us: but, if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 *St. John* 1. 8, 9.

DEARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart, and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me;

¶ *A general Confession*

To be said of the whole Congregation after the Minister, all kneeling.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father; We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake; That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

¶ *The Absolution, or Remission of sins,*

To be pronounced by the Priest alone, standing; the people still kneeling.

ALMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness, and live; and hath given power, and commandment, to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins: He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance, and his holy Spirit, that those things may please

him, which we do at this present; and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure, and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

¶ *The people shall answer here, and at the end of all other prayers,* Amen.

¶ *Then the Minister shall kneel, and say the Lord's Prayer with an audible voice; the people also kneeling, and repeating it with him, both here, and wheresoever else it is used in Divine Service.*

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *Then likewise he shall say,*

O Lord, open thou our lips.

Answer. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

Priest. O God, make speed to save us.

Answer. O Lord, make haste to help us.

¶ *Here all standing up, the Priest shall say,*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Priest. Praise ye the Lord.

Answer. The Lord's Name be praised.

¶ *Then shall be said or sung this Psalm following: except on* Easter-Day, *upon which another Anthem is appointed; and on the Nineteenth day of every Month it is not to be read here, but in the ordinary Course of the Psalms.*

VENITE, EXULTEMUS DOMINO.

Psalm 95.

O COME, let us sing unto the Lord : let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving : and shew ourselves glad in him with Psalms.

For the Lord is a great God : and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are all the corners of the earth : and the strength of the hills is his also.

The sea is his, and he made it : and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worship, and fall down : and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is the Lord our God : and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts : as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness ;

When your fathers tempted me : proved me, and saw my works.

Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said : It is a people that do err in their hearts, for they have not known my ways.

Unto whom I sware in my wrath : that they should not enter into my rest.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Then shall follow the Psalms in order as they be appointed. And at the end of every Psalm throughout the Year, and likewise at the end of* Benedicite, Benedictus, Magnificat, *and* Nunc dimittis, *shall be repeated,*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall be read distinctly with an audible voice the First Lesson, taken out of the Old Testament, as is appointed in the Calendar, except there be proper Lessons assigned for that Day : He that readeth so standing and turning himself, as he may best be heard of all such as are present. And after that, shall be said or sung, in* English, *the Hymn called* Te Deum Laudamus, *daily throughout the Year.*

¶ *Note, That before every Lesson the Minister shall say,* Here beginneth such a Chapter, or Verse of such a Chapter, of such a Book : *And after every Lesson,* Here endeth the First, *or* the Second Lesson.

TE DEUM LAUDAMUS.

WE praise thee, O God : we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship thee : the Father everlasting.

To thee all Angels cry aloud : the Heavens, and all the Powers therein.

To thee Cherubin, and Seraphin : continually do cry,

Holy, Holy, Holy : Lord God of Sabaoth ;

Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty : of thy Glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles : praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of the Prophets : praise thee.

The noble army of Martyrs : praise thee.

The holy Church throughout all the world : doth acknowledge thee ;

The Father : of an infinite Majesty;
Thine honourable, true : and only Son;
Also the Holy Ghost : the Comforter.
Thou art the King of Glory : O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting Son : of the Father.
When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man : thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.
When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death : thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.
Thou sittest at the right hand of God : in the Glory of the Father.
We believe that thou shalt come : to be our Judge.
We therefore pray thee, help thy servants : whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with thy Saints : in glory everlasting.
O Lord, save thy people : and bless thine heritage.
Govern them : and lift them up for ever.
Day by day : we magnify thee;
And we worship thy Name : ever world without end.
Vouchsafe, O Lord : to keep us this day without sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us : have mercy upon us.
O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us : as our trust is in thee.
O Lord, in thee have I trusted : let me never be confounded.

¶ *Or this Canticle,*

BENEDICITE, OMNIA OPERA.

O ALL ye Works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Angels of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Heavens, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Waters that be above the Firmament, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O all ye Powers of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Sun, and Moon, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Stars of Heaven, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Showers, and Dew, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Winds of God, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Fire and Heat, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Winter and Summer, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Dews, and Frosts, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Frost and Cold, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Ice and Snow, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Nights, and Days, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Light and Darkness, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Lightnings, and Clouds, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O let the Earth bless the Lord : yea, let it praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Mountains, and Hills, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O all ye Green Things upon the Earth, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Wells, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Seas, and Floods, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Whales, and all that move in the Waters, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O all ye Fowls of the Air, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O all ye Beasts, and Cattle, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Children of Men, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O let Israel bless the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Priests of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Servants of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Spirits and Souls of the Righteous, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye holy and humble Men of heart, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O Ananias, Azarias, and Misael, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Then shall be read in like manner the Second Lesson, taken out of the New Testament. And after that, the Hymn following; except when that shall happen to be read in the Chapter for the Day, or for the Gospel on* St. John Baptist's *Day.*

BENEDICTUS.

St. Luke 1. 68.

BLESSED be the Lord God of Israel : for he hath visited, and redeemed his people;

And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us : in the house of his servant David;

As he spake by the mouth of his holy Prophets : which have been since the world began;

That we should be saved from our enemies : and from the hands of all that hate us;

To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers : and to remember his holy Covenant;

To perform the oath which he sware to our forefather Abraham : that he would give us;

That we being delivered out of the hands of our enemies : might serve him without fear;

In holiness and righteousness before him : all the days of our life.

And thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest : for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways;

To give knowledge of salvation unto his people : for the remission of their sins,

Through the tender mercy of our God : whereby the day-spring from on high hath visited us;

To give light to them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death : and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Or this Psalm,*

JUBILATE DEO.

Psalm 100.

O BE joyful in the Lord, all ye lands : serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God : it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise : be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting : and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Then shall be sung or said the Apostles' Creed by the Minister and the people, standing · except only such days as the Creed of Saint* Athanasius *is appointed to be read.*

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried, He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead, He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the life everlasting. Amen.

¶ *And after that, these Prayers following, all devoutly kneeling; the Minister first pronouncing with a loud voice,*

The Lord be with you.
Answer. And with thy spirit.
Minister. Let us pray.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

¶ *Then the Minister, Clerks, and people, shall say the Lord's Prayer with a loud voice.*

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

¶ *Then the Priest standing up shall say,*

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
Answer. And grant us thy salvation.

Priest. O Lord, save the Queen.

Answer. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Priest. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

Ans. And make thy chosen people joyful.

Priest. O Lord, save thy people.

Answer. And bless thine inheritance.

Priest. Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Answer. Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

Priest. O God, make clean our hearts within us.

Answer. And take not thy holy Spirit from us.

¶ *Then shall follow three Collects; the first of the Day, which shall be the same that is appointed at the Communion; the second for Peace; the third for Grace to live well. And the two last Collects shall never alter, but daily be said at Morning Prayer throughout all the year, as followeth; all kneeling.*

THE SECOND COLLECT, FOR PEACE.

O GOD, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom; Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries, through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE THIRD COLLECT, FOR GRACE.

O LORD, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; Defend us in the same with thy mighty

power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *In Quires and Places where they sing, here followeth the Anthem.*

¶ *Then these five Prayers following are to be read here, except when the Litany is read; and then only the two last are to be read, as they are there placed.*

A PRAYER FOR THE QUEEN'S MAJESTY.

O LORD our heavenly Father, high and mighty, King of kings, Lord of lords, the only Ruler of princes, who dost from thy throne behold all the dwellers upon earth; Most heartily we beseech thee with thy favour to behold our most gracious Sovereign Lady, Queen *ELIZABETH;* and so replenish her with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, that she may alway incline to thy will, and walk in thy way: Endue her plenteously with heavenly gifts; grant her in health and wealth long to live; strengthen her that she may vanquish and overcome all her enemies; and finally, after this life, she may attain everlasting joy and felicity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A PRAYER FOR THE ROYAL FAMILY.

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all goodness, we humbly beseech thee to bless *Elizabeth* the Queen Mother, Queen *Mary*, *Philip* Duke of *Edinburgh*, *Charles* Duke of *Cornwall*, and all the Royal Family:

Endue them with thy holy Spirit; enrich them with thy heavenly grace; prosper them with all happiness; and bring them to thine everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A PRAYER FOR THE CLERGY AND PEOPLE.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who alone workest great marvels; Send down upon our Bishops, and Curates, and all Congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of thy grace; and that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise, that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

2 Corinthians 13.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

Here endeth the Order of Morning Prayer throughout the Year.

THE ORDER FOR
EVENING PRAYER,
DAILY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

¶ *At the beginning of Evening Prayer the Minister shall read with a loud voice some one or more of these Sentences of the Scriptures that follow. And then he shall say that which is written after the said Sentences.*

WHEN the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive. *Ezekiel* 18. 27.

I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. *Psalm* 51. 3.

Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities. *Psalm* 51. 9.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise. *Psalm* 51. 17.

Rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil. *Joel* 2. 13.

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him: neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws which he set before us. *Daniel* 9. 9, 10.

O Lord, correct me, but with judgement; not in thine anger, lest thou bring me to nothing. *Jeremiah* 10. 24. *Psalm* 6. 1.

Repent ye; for the Kingdom of heaven is at hand. *St. Matthew* 3. 2.

I will arise, and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son. *St. Luke* 15. 18, 19.

Enter not into judgement with thy servant, O Lord; for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. *Psalm* 143. 2.

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us: but, if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 *St. John* 1. 8, 9.

DEARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart, and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me:

¶ *A general Confession*

To be said of the whole Congregation after the Minister, all kneeling.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father; We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake; That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

The Absolution, or Remission of sins,

To be pronounced by the Priest alone, standing; the people still kneeling.

ALMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness, and live; and hath given power, and commandment, to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins: He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us

true repentance, and his holy Spirit, that those things may please him, which we do at this present; and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure, and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Minister shall kneel, and say the Lord's Prayer; the people also kneeling, and repeating it with him.*

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *Then likewise he shall say,*

O Lord, open thou our lips.

Answer. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

Priest. O God, make speed to save us.

Answer. O Lord, make haste to help us.

¶ *Here all standing up, the Priest shall say,*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Priest. Praise ye the Lord.

Answer. The Lord's Name be praised.

¶ *Then shall be said or sung the Psalms in order as they be appointed. Then a Lesson of the Old Testament, as is appointed. And after that,* Magnificat *(or the Song of the blessed Virgin* Mary*) in English, as followeth.*

MAGNIFICAT.

St. Luke 1.

MY soul doth magnify the Lord : and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded : the lowliness of his hand-maiden.

For behold, from henceforth : all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me : and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him : throughout all generations.

He hath shewed strength with his arm : he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat : and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things : and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel : as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Or else this Psalm ; except it be on the Nineteenth Day of the Month, when it is read in the ordinary Course of the Psalms.*

CANTATE DOMINO.

Psalm 98.

O SING unto the Lord a new song : for he hath done marvellous things.

With his own right hand, and with his

holy arm : hath he gotten himself the victory.

The Lord declared his salvation : his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.

He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of Israel : and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.

Shew yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands : sing, rejoice, and give thanks.

Praise the Lord upon the harp : sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving.

With trumpets also and shawms : O shew yourselves joyful before the Lord the King.

Let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is : the round world, and they that dwell therein.

Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord : for he cometh to judge the earth.

With righteousness shall he judge the world : and the people with equity.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Then a Lesson of the New Testament, as it is appointed. And after that,* Nunc dimittis (*or the Song of* Simeon) *in English, as followeth.*

NUNC DIMITTIS.

St. Luke 2. 29.

LORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace : according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen : thy salvation,

Which thou hast prepared : before the face of all people ;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles : and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Or else this Psalm ; except it be on the Twelfth Day of the Month.*

DEUS MISEREATUR.

Psalm 67.

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us : and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us :

That thy way may be known upon earth : thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise thee, O God : yea, let all the people praise thee.

O let the nations rejoice and be glad : for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the people praise thee, O God : yea, let all the people praise thee.

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase : and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.

God shall bless us : and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

¶ *Then shall be said or sung the Apostles' Creed by the Minister and the people, standing.*

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried, He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead, He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

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THE SECOND COLLECT AT EVENING PRAYER.

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

THE THIRD COLLECT, FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS.

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

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AT MORNING PRAYER.

¶ *Upon these Feasts ;* Christmas-day, *the* Epiphany, *Saint* Matthias, Easter-day, Ascension-day, Whitsunday, *Saint* John Baptist, *Saint* James, *Saint* Bartholomew, *Saint* Matthew, *Saint* Simon *and Saint* Jude, *Saint* Andrew, *and upon* Trinity-Sunday, *shall be sung or said at Morning Prayer, instead of the Apostles' Creed, this Confession of our Christian Faith, commonly called The Creed of Saint* Athanasius, *by the Minister and people standing.*

QUICUNQUE VULT.

WHOSOEVER will be saved : before all things it is necessary that he hold the Catholick Faith.

Which Faith except every one do keep whole and undefiled : without doubt he shall perish everlastingly.

And the Catholick Faith is this : That we worship one God in Trinity, and Trinity in Unity;

Neither confounding the Persons : nor dividing the Substance.

For there is one Person of the Father, another of the Son : and another of the Holy Ghost.

But the Godhead of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, is all one : the Glory equal, the Majesty co-eternal.

Such as the Father is, such is the Son : and such is the Holy Ghost.

The Father uncreate, the Son uncreate : and the Holy Ghost uncreate.

The Father incomprehensible, the Son incomprehensible : and the Holy Ghost incomprehensible.

The Father eternal. the Son eternal : and the Holy Ghost eternal.

And yet they are not three eternals : but one eternal.

As also there are not three incomprehensibles, nor three uncreated : but one uncreated, and one incomprehensible.

So likewise the Father is Almighty, the Son Almighty : and the Holy Ghost Almighty.

And yet they are not three Almighties : but one Almighty.

So the Father is God, the Son is God : and the Holy Ghost is God.

And yet they are not three Gods : but one God.

So likewise the Father is Lord, the Son Lord : and the Holy Ghost Lord.

And yet not three Lords : but one Lord.

For like as we are compelled by the Christian verity : to acknowledge every Person by himself to be God and Lord;

So are we forbidden by the Catholick Religion : to say, There be three Gods, or three Lords.

The Father is made of none : neither created, nor begotten.

The Son is of the Father alone : not made, nor created, but begotten.

The Holy Ghost is of the Father and of the Son : neither made, nor created, nor begotten, but proceeding.

So there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons : one Holy Ghost, not three Holy Ghosts.

And in this Trinity none is afore, or after other : none is greater, or less than another;

But the whole three Persons are co-eternal together : and co-equal.

So that in all things, as is aforesaid : the Unity in Trinity, and the Trinity in Unity is to be worshipped.

He therefore that will be saved : must thus think of the Trinity.

Furthermore, it is necessary to everlasting salvation : that he also believe rightly the Incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.

For the right Faith is, that we believe and confess : that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is God and Man ;

God, of the Substance of the Father, begotten before the worlds : and Man, of the Substance of his Mother, born in the world ;

Perfect God, and perfect Man : of a reasonable soul and human flesh subsisting ;

Equal to the Father, as touching his Godhead : and inferior to the Father, as touching his Manhood.

Who although he be God and Man : yet he is not two, but one Christ ;

One ; not by conversion of the Godhead into flesh : but by taking of the Manhood into God ;

One altogether ; not by confusion of Substance : but by unity of Person.

For as the reasonable soul and flesh is one man : so God and Man is one Christ ;

Who suffered for our salvation : descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead.

He ascended into heaven, he sitteth on the right hand of the Father, God Almighty : from whence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

At whose coming all men shall rise again

with their bodies : and shall give account for their own works.

And they that have done good shall go into life everlasting : and they that have done evil into everlasting fire.

This is the Catholick Faith : which except a man believe faithfully, he cannot be saved.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

THE LITANY.

¶ *Here followeth the LITANY, or General Supplication, to be sung or said after Morning Prayer upon* Sundays, Wednesdays, *and* Fridays, *and at other times when it shall be commanded by the Ordinary.*

O GOD the Father of heaven : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

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O God the Son, Redeemer of the world : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

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O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

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Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers; neither take thou vengeance of our sins : spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever.

Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and mischief; from sin, from the crafts and assaults of the devil; from thy wrath, and from everlasting damnation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vain-glory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice, and all uncharitableness,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From fornication, and all other deadly sin; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From lightning and tempest; from plague, pestilence, and famine; from battle and murder, and from sudden death,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all sedition, privy conspiracy, and rebellion; from all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word and Commandment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and Circumcision; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By thine Agony and bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Ghost,

Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our wealth; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgement,

Good Lord, deliver us.

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church universal in the right way;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to keep and strengthen in the true worshipping of thee, in righteousness and holiness of life, thy Servant *ELIZABETH*, our most gracious Queen and Governor;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to rule her heart in thy faith, fear, and love, and that she may evermore have affiance in thee, and ever seek thy honour and glory;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to be her defender and keeper, giving her the victory over all her enemies;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and preserve *Elizabeth* the Queen Mother, Queen *Mary*, *Philip* Duke of *Edinburgh*, *Charles* Duke of *Cornwall*, and all the Royal Family;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illuminate all

Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living they may set it forth, and shew it accordingly;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to endue the Lords of the Council, and all the Nobility, with grace, wisdom, and understanding;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep the Magistrates, giving them grace to execute justice, and to maintain truth;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us an heart to love and dread thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all thy people increase of grace to hear meekly thy Word, and to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; and to comfort and help the

weak-hearted; and to raise up them that fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to succour, help, and comfort, all that are in danger, necessity, and tribulation;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to preserve all that travel by land or by water, all women labouring of child, all sick persons, and young children; and to shew thy pity upon all prisoners and captives;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to defend, and provide for, the fatherless children, and widows, and all that are desolate and oppressed;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all men;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so as in due time we may enjoy them;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to thy holy Word;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God : we beseech thee to hear us.
Son of God : we beseech thee to hear us.
O Lamb of God : that takest away the sins of the world ;
Grant us thy peace.
O Lamb of God : that takest away the sins of the world ;
Have mercy upon us.
O Christ, hear us.
O Christ hear us.
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¶ *Then shall the Priest, and the people with him, say the Lord's Prayer.*

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Priest. O Lord, deal not with us after our sins.
Answer. Neither reward us after our iniquities.

Let us pray.

O GOD, merciful Father, that despisest not the sighing of a contrite heart, nor the desire of such as be sorrowful ; Mercifully

assist our prayers that we make before thee in all our troubles and adversities, whensoever they oppress us; and graciously hear us, that those evils, which the craft and subtilty of the devil or man worketh against us, be brought to nought; and by the providence of thy goodness they may be dispersed; that we thy servants, being hurt by no persecutions, may evermore give thanks unto thee in thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thy Name's sake.

O GOD, we have heard with our ears, and our fathers have declared unto us, the noble works that thou didst in their days, and in the old time before them.

O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thine honour.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

From our enemies defend us, O Christ.

Graciously look upon our afflictions.

Pitifully behold the sorrows of our hearts.

Mercifully forgive the sins of thy people.

Favourably with mercy hear our prayers.

O Son of David, have mercy upon us.

Both now and ever vouchsafe to hear us, O Christ.

Graciously hear us, O Christ; graciously hear us, O Lord Christ.

Priest. O Lord, let thy mercy be shewed upon us;
Answer. As we do put our trust in thee.

Let us pray.

WE humbly beseech thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities; and for the glory of thy Name turn from us all those evils that we most righteously have deserved; and grant, that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in thy mercy, and evermore serve thee in holiness and pureness of living, to thy honour and glory; through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise, that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests; Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

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THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

Here endeth the LITANY.

PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS,

UPON SEVERAL OCCASIONS,

¶ *To be used before the two final Prayers of the Litany, or of Morning and Evening Prayer.*

PRAYERS.

For Rain.

O GOD, heavenly Father, who by thy Son Jesus Christ hast promised to all them that seek thy kingdom, and the righteousness thereof, all things necessary to their bodily sustenance; Send us, we beseech thee, in this our necessity, such moderate rain and showers, that we may receive the fruits of the earth to our comfort, and to thy honour; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For fair Weather.

O ALMIGHTY Lord God, who for the sin of man didst once drown all the world, except eight persons, and afterward of thy great mercy didst promise never to destroy it so again; We humbly beseech thee, that although we for our iniquities have worthily deserved a plague of rain and waters, yet upon our true repentance thou wilt send us such weather, as that we may receive the fruits of the earth in due season: and learn both by thy punishment to amend our lives, and for thy clemency to give thee praise and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

In the time of Dearth and Famine.

O GOD, heavenly Father, whose gift it is, that the rain doth fall, the earth is fruitful, beasts increase, and fishes do multiply; Behold, we beseech thee, the afflictions of thy people; and grant that the scarcity and dearth, which we do now most justly suffer for our iniquity, may through thy goodness be mercifully turned into cheapness and plenty; for the love of Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be all honour and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Or this.

O GOD, merciful Father, who, in the time of Elisha the prophet, didst suddenly in Samaria turn great scarcity and dearth into plenty and cheapness; Have mercy upon us, that we, who are now for our sins punished with like adversity, may likewise find a seasonable relief: Increase the fruits of the earth by thy heavenly benediction; and grant that we, receiving thy bountiful liberality, may use the same to thy glory, the relief of those that are needy, and our own comfort; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

In the time of War and Tumults.

O ALMIGHTY God, King of all kings, and Governor of all things, whose power no creature is able to resist, to whom it belongeth justly to punish sinners, and to be merciful to them that truly repent; Save

and deliver us, we humbly beseech thee, from the hands of our enemies; abate their pride, asswage their malice, and confound their devices; that we, being armed with thy defence, may be preserved evermore from all perils, to glorify thee, who art the only giver of all victory; through the merits of thy only Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

In the time of any common Plague or Sickness.

O ALMIGHTY God, who in thy wrath didst send a plague upon thine own people in the wilderness, for their obstinate rebellion against Moses and Aaron; and also, in the time of king David, didst slay with the plague of Pestilence threescore and ten thousand, and yet remembering thy mercy didst save the rest; Have pity upon us miserable sinners, who now are visited with great sickness and mortality; that like as thou didst then accept of an atonement, and didst command the destroying Angel to cease from punishing, so it may now please thee to withdraw from us this plague and grievous sickness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *In the Ember Weeks, to be said every day, for those that are to be admitted into Holy Orders.*

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who hast purchased to thyself an universal Church by the precious blood of thy dear Son; Mercifully look upon the same, and at this time so guide and govern

the minds of thy servants the Bishops and Pastors of thy flock, that they may lay hands suddenly on no man, but faithfully and wisely make choice of fit persons to serve in the sacred Ministry of thy Church. And to those which shall be ordained to any holy function give thy grace and heavenly benediction; that both by their life and doctrine they may set forth thy glory, and set forward the salvation of all men; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Or this.

ALMIGHTY God, the giver of all good gifts, who of thy divine providence hast appointed divers Orders in thy Church; Give thy grace, we humbly beseech thee, to all those who are to be called to any office and administration in the same; and so replenish them with the truth of thy doctrine, and endue them with innocency of life, that they may faithfully serve before thee, to the glory of thy great Name, and the benefit of thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *A Prayer that may be said after any of the former.*

O GOD, whose nature and property is ever to have mercy and to forgive, receive our humble petitions; and though we be tied and bound with the chain of our sins, yet let the pitifulness of thy great mercy loose us; for the honour of Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

¶ *A Prayer for the High Court of Parliament, to be read during their Session.*

MOST gracious God, we humbly beseech thee, as for this Kingdom in general, so especially for the High Court of Parliament, under our most religious and gracious Queen at this time assembled: That thou wouldest be pleased to direct and prosper all their consultations to the advancement of thy glory, the good of thy Church, the safety, honour, and welfare of our Sovereign, and her Dominions: that all things may be so ordered and settled by their endeavours, upon the best and surest foundations, that peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety, may be established among us for all generations. These and all other necessaries, for them, for us, and thy whole Church, we humbly beg in the Name and Mediation of Jesus Christ our most blessed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

¶ *A Collect or Prayer for all Conditions of men, to be used at such times when the Litany is not appointed to be said.*

O GOD, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of men; that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. More especially, we pray for the good estate of the Catholick Church; that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of

spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally, we commend to thy fatherly goodness all those, who are any ways afflicted, or distressed, in mind, body, or estate; [*especially those for whom our prayers are desired,] that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their several necessities, giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. And this we beg for Jesus Christ his sake. *Amen.*

*This to be said when any desire the Prayers of the Congregation.

THANKSGIVINGS.

¶ *A General Thanksgiving.*

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us, and to all men; [*particularly to those who desire now to offer up their praises and thanksgivings for thy late mercies vouchsafed unto them.] We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we shew forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourselves

*This to be said when any that have been prayed for desire to return praise.

to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

For Rain.

O GOD our heavenly Father, who by thy gracious providence dost cause the former and the latter rain to descend upon the earth, that it may bring forth fruit for the use of man; We give thee humble thanks that it hath pleased thee, in our great necessity, to send us at the last a joyful rain upon thine inheritance, and to refresh it when it was dry, to the great comfort of us thy unworthy servants, and to the glory of thy holy Name; through thy mercies in Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For fair Weather.

O LORD God, who hast justly humbled us by thy late plague of immoderate rain and waters, and in thy mercy hast relieved and comforted our souls by this seasonable and blessed change of weather; We praise and glorify thy holy Name for this thy mercy, and will always declare thy loving-kindness from generation to generation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Plenty.

O MOST merciful Father, who of thy gracious goodness hast heard the devout prayers of thy Church, and turned our dearth and scarcity into cheapness and plenty; We give thee humble thanks for this thy

special bounty; beseeching thee to continue thy loving-kindness unto us, that our land may yield us her fruits of increase, to thy glory and our comfort; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Peace and Deliverance from our Enemies.

O ALMIGHTY God, who art a strong tower of defence unto thy servants against the face of their enemies; We yield thee praise and thanksgiving for our deliverance from those great and apparent dangers wherewith we were compassed: We acknowledge it thy goodness that we were not delivered over as a prey unto them; beseeching thee still to continue such thy mercies towards us, that all the world may know that thou art our Saviour and mighty Deliverer; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For restoring Publick Peace at Home.

O ETERNAL God, our heavenly Father, who alone makest men to be of one mind in a house, and stillest the outrage of a violent and unruly people; We bless thy holy Name, that it hath pleased thee to appease the seditious tumults which have been lately raised up amongst us; most humbly beseeching thee to grant to all of us grace, that we may henceforth obediently walk in thy holy commandments; and, leading a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty, may continually offer unto thee our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving for these thy mercies towards us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THANKSGIVINGS.

For Deliverance from the Plague, or other common Sickness.

O LORD God, who hast wounded us for our sins, and consumed us for our transgressions, by thy late heavy and dreadful visitation; and now, in the midst of judgement remembering mercy, hast redeemed our souls from the jaws of death; We offer unto thy fatherly goodness ourselves, our souls and bodies which thou hast delivered, to be a living sacrifice unto thee, always praising and magnifying thy mercies in the midst of thy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Or this.

WE humbly acknowledge before thee, O most merciful Father, that all the punishments which are threatened in thy law might justly have fallen upon us, by reason of our manifold transgressions and hardness of heart: Yet seeing it hath pleased thee of thy tender mercy, upon our weak and unworthy humiliation, to asswage the contagious sickness wherewith we lately have been sore afflicted, and to restore the voice of joy and health into our dwellings; We offer unto thy Divine Majesty the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, lauding and magnifying thy glorious Name for such thy preservation and providence over us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE COLLECTS, EPISTLES, AND GOSPELS

TO BE USED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

¶ *Note, that the Collect appointed for every Sunday, or for any Holy-day that hath a Vigil or Eve, shall be said at the Evening Service next before.*

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious Majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever. *Amen.*

¶ *This Collect is to be repeated every day, with the other Collects in Advent, until Christmas Eve.*

THE EPISTLE. Romans 13. 8.

OWE no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law. For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. Love worketh no ill to his neighbour; therefore love is the

fulfilling of the law. And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand; let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. Let us walk honestly as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 21. 1.

WHEN they drew nigh unto Jerusalem, and were come to Bethphage, unto the mount of Olives, then sent Jesus two disciples, saying unto them, Go into the village over against you, and straightway ye shall find an ass tied, and a colt with her: loose them, and bring them unto me. And if any man say ought unto you, ye shall say, The Lord hath need of them; and straightway he will send them. All this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Prophet, saying, Tell ye the daughter of Sion, Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass, and a colt the foal of an ass. And the disciples went, and did as Jesus commanded them; and brought the ass, and the colt, and put on them their clothes, and they set him thereon. And a very great multitude spread their garments in the way; others cut down branches from the trees, and strawed them in the way. And the multitudes that went before, and

that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the son of David; Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest. And when he was come into Jerusalem all the city was moved, saying, Who is this? And the multitude said, This is Jesus the Prophet of Nazareth of Galilee. And Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple; and overthrew the tables of the money-changers, and the seats of them that sold doves; and said unto them, It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves.

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT.

THE COLLECT.

BLESSED Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning; Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience, and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace, and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Romans 15. 4.

WHATSOEVER things were written aforetime, were written for our learning; that we through patience, and comfort of the Scriptures, might have hope. Now the God of patience and consolation grant

you to be like minded one towards another, according to Christ Jesus: that ye may with one mind, and one mouth, glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Wherefore receive ye one another, as Christ also received us, to the glory of God. Now I say, that Jesus Christ was a minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises made unto the fathers: And that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy; as it is written, For this cause I will confess to thee among the Gentiles, and sing unto thy Name. And again he saith, Rejoice, ye Gentiles, with his people. And again, Praise the Lord, all ye Gentiles, and laud him, all ye people. And again, Esaias saith, There shall be a root of Jesse, and he that shall rise to reign over the Gentiles, in him shall the Gentiles trust. Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 21. 25.

AND there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring; men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and

lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh. And he spake to them a parable, Behold the fig-tree, and all the trees; when they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is now nigh at hand. So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the Kingdom of God is nigh at hand. Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled: heaven and earth shall pass away; but my words shall not pass away.

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD Jesu Christ, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger to prepare thy way before thee; Grant that the ministers and stewards of thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 Corinthians 4. 1.

LET a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover, it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful. But with me it is a very small thing that

I should be judged of you, or of man's judgement: yea, I judge not mine own self. For I know nothing by myself, yet am I not hereby justified; but he that judgeth me is the Lord. Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts; and then shall every man have praise of God.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 11. 2.

NOW when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples, and said unto him, Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another? Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see: The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the Gospel preached to them: And blessed is he whosoever shall not be offended in me. And as they departed, Jesus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John, What went ye out into the wilderness to see? a reed shaken with the wind? But what went ye out for to see? a man clothed in soft raiment? behold, they that wear soft clothing are in kings' houses. But what went ye out for to see? a prophet? yea, I say unto you, and more than a prophet. For this is he of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, raise up (we pray thee) thy power, and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness, we are sore let and hindered in running the race that is set before us, thy bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through the satisfaction of thy Son our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Philippians 4. 4.

REJOICE in the Lord alway, and again I say, Rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing: but in every thing, by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 1. 19.

THIS is the record of John, when the Jews sent Priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou? And he confessed, and denied not; but confessed, I am not the Christ. And they asked him, What then? Art thou Elias? And he saith, I am not. Art thou that Prophet? And he answered, No. Then said they unto him, Who art thou? that we may give an answer to them that sent us. What sayest thou of thy-

self? He said, I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord, as said the prophet Esaias. And they which were sent were of the Pharisees. And they asked him, and said unto him, Why baptizest thou then, if thou be not that Christ, nor Elias, neither that Prophet? John answered them, saying, I baptize with water: but there standeth one among you, whom ye know not: He it is who coming after me is preferred before me, whose shoe's latchet I am not worthy to unloose. These things were done in Bethabara beyond Jordan, where John was baptizing.

The Nativity of our Lord, or the Birth-day of CHRIST, commonly called

CHRISTMAS-DAY.*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin; Grant that we being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Hebrews 1. 1.

GOD, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last

days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high; being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they. For unto which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee? And again, I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son? And again, when he bringeth in the first-begotten into the world, he saith, And let all the angels of God worship him. And of the angels he saith, Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire. But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever; a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom: Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows. And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands: they shall perish, but thou remainest; and they all shall wax old as doth a garment; and as a vesture shalt thou fold them up, and they shall be changed; but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail.

SAINT STEPHEN'S DAY.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 1. 1.

IN the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that light, but was sent to bear witness of that light. That was the true light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his Name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only-begotten of the Father) full of grace and truth.

SAINT STEPHEN'S DAY.*

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, O Lord, that, in all our sufferings here upon earth for the testimony of thy truth, we may stedfastly look up to

heaven, and by faith behold the glory that shall be revealed; and, being filled with the holy Ghost, may learn to love and bless our persecutors by the example of thy first Martyr Saint Stephen, who prayed for his murderers to thee, O blessed Jesus, who standest at the right hand of God to succour all those that suffer for thee, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall follow the Collect of the Nativity, which shall be said continually unto New-year's Eve.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 7. 55.

STEPHEN, being full of the holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God, and said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing on the right hand of God. Then they cried out with a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one accord, and cast him out of the city, and stoned him: and the witnesses laid down their clothes at a young man's feet, whose name was Saul. And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit. And he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 23. 34.

BEHOLD, I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes; and some of them ye shall kill and crucify; and some of them shall ye scourge in your synagogues, and

persecute them from city to city; that upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias, son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar. Verily I say unto you, All these things shall come upon this generation. O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not! Behold, your house is left unto you desolate. For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord.

SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST'S DAY.*

THE COLLECT.

MERCIFUL Lord, we beseech thee to cast thy bright beams of light upon thy Church, that it being enlightened by the doctrine of thy blessed Apostle and Evangelist Saint John may so walk in the light of thy truth, that it may at length attain to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 St. John 1. 1.

THAT which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked

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upon, and our hands have handled of the word of life; (for the life was manifested, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and shew unto you that eternal life, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us;) That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ. And these things write we unto you, that your joy may be full. This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, That God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: but if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 21. 19.

JESUS said unto Peter, Follow me. Then Peter, turning about, seeth the disciple whom Jesus loved following; which also leaned on his breast at supper, and said, Lord, which is he that betrayeth thee? Peter seeing him saith to Jesus, Lord, and what shall this man do? Jesus saith unto him, If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee?

Follow thou me. Then went this saying abroad among the brethren, That that disciple should not die: yet Jesus said not unto him, He shall not die; but, If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee? This is the disciple which testifieth of these things, and wrote these things, and we know that his testimony is true. And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which if they should be written every one, I suppose, that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written.

THE INNOCENTS' DAY.*

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, who out of the mouths of babes and sucklings hast ordained strength, and madest infants to glorify thee by their deaths; Mortify and kill all vices in us, and so strengthen us by thy grace, that by the innocency of our lives, and constancy of our faith even unto death, we may glorify thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Revelation 14. 1.

I LOOKED, and lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's Name written in their foreheads. And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps: and they sung as it

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were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders; and no man could learn that song, but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth. These are they which were not defiled with women, for they are virgins: these are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth: these were redeemed from among men, being the first-fruits unto God, and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found no guile; for they are without fault before the throne of God.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 2. 13.

THE Angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child, and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word; for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him. When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt, and was there until the death of Herod; that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my Son. Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceeding wroth; and sent forth, and slew all the children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the coasts thereof, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently enquired of the wise men. Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying, In Rama was there a voice heard, lamentation, and weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children,

and would not be comforted, because they are not.

THE SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS-DAY.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin; Grant that we being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Galatians 4. 1.

NOW I say, that the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all; but is under tutors and governors, until the time appointed of the father. Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world: but when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

THE CIRCUMCISION OF CHRIST.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 1. 18.

THE birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a publick example, was minded to put her away privily. But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife; for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost: And she shall bring forth a Son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS; for he shall save his people from their sins. (Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Behold, a Virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a Son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.) Then Joseph, being raised from sleep, did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife; and knew her not till she had brought forth her first-born son: and he called his name JESUS.

THE CIRCUMCISION OF CHRIST.*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who madest thy blessed Son to be circumcised, and obedient to the law for man; Grant us the true Circumcision of the Spirit: that, our

hearts, and all our members, being mortified from all worldly and carnal lusts, we may in all things obey thy blessed will; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Romans 4. 8.

BLESSED is the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin. Cometh this blessedness then upon the circumcision only, or upon the uncircumcision also? For we say, that faith was reckoned to Abraham for righteousness. How was it then reckoned? when he was in circumcision, or in uncircumcision? Not in circumcision, but in uncircumcision. And he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which he had yet being uncircumcised; that he might be the father of all them that believe, though they be not circumcised; that righteousness might be imputed unto them also: And the father of circumcision to them who are not of the circumcision only, but also walk in the steps of that faith of our father Abraham, which he had being yet uncircumcised. For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, was not to Abraham, or to his seed, through the law, but through the righteousness of faith. For if they which are of the law be heirs, faith is made void, and the promise made of none effect.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 2. 15.

AND it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now

go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them. And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name was called JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

¶ *The same Collect, Epistle, and Gospel shall serve for every day after unto the Epiphany.*

THE EPIPHANY,*

Or the Manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only-begotten Son to the Gentiles; Mercifully grant, that we, which know thee now by faith, may after this life have the fruition of thy glorious Godhead; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Ephesians 3. 1.

FOR this cause, I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles; if ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace

of God, which is given me to you-ward: How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery (as I wrote afore in few words, whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ) which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy Apostles and Prophets by the Spirit; That the Gentiles should be fellow-heirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ, by the Gospel: whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power. Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ; and to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ: to the intent, that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the Church the manifold wisdom of God, according to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord: In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 2. 1.

WHEN Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judæa, in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen

his star in the east, and are come to worship him. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them, where Christ should be born. And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judæa: for thus it is written by the prophet, And thou, Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor that shall rule my people Israel. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go, and search diligently for the young child, and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. When they had heard the king, they departed; and lo, the star which they saw in the east went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people which call upon thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Romans 12. 1.

I BESEECH you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God. For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith. For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office; so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 2. 41.

NOW his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem, after the custom of the feast. And when they had fulfilled the

days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and his mother knew not of it. But they, supposing him to have been in the company, went a day's journey, and they sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance. And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking him. And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions. And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers. And when they saw him, they were amazed: and his mother said unto him, Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? behold, thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing. And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business? And they understood not the saying which he spake unto them. And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but his mother kept all these sayings in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom, and stature, and in favour with God and man.

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY.

THE COLLECT

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth; Mercifully hear the supplications of

thy people, and grant us thy peace all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Romans 12. 6.

HAVING then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith; or ministry, let us wait on our ministering; or he that teacheth, on teaching; or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil, cleave to that which is good. Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love, in honour preferring one another: not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer; distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality. Bless them which persecute you; bless, and curse not. Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep. Be of the same mind one towards another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 2. 1.

AND the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. And both Jesus was called, and his disciples, to the marriage. And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto

him, They have no wine. Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is not yet come. His mother saith unto the servants, Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it. And there were set there six water-pots of stone, after the manner of the purifying of the Jews, containing two or three firkins apiece. Jesus saith unto them, Fill the water-pots with water. And they filled them up to the brim. And he saith unto them, Draw out now, and bear unto the governor of the feast. And they bare it. When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not whence it was, (but the servants which drew the water knew,) the governor of the feast called the bridegroom, and saith unto him, Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine, and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse: but thou hast kept the good wine until now. This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory, and his disciples believed on him.

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

3RD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY.

THE EPISTLE. Romans 12. 16.

BE not wise in your own conceits. Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath; for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. Therefore, if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 8. 1.

WHEN he was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him. And behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean. And Jesus put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed. And Jesus saith unto him, See thou tell no man, but go thy way, shew thyself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them. And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion beseeching him, and saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented. And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him. The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my

roof; but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed. For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say unto this man, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it. When Jesus heard it, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no not in Israel. And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven. But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way, and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the self-same hour.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright; Grant to us such strength and protection, as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Romans 13. 1.

LET every soul be subject unto the higher powers; for there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of

God. Whosoever therefore resisteth the power resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation. For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same: for he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil. Wherefore ye must needs be subject, not only for wrath, but also for conscience sake. For for this cause pay ye tribute also; for they are God's ministers, attending continually upon this very thing. Render therefore to all their dues; tribute to whom tribute is due, custom to whom custom, fear to whom fear, honour to whom honour.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 8. 23.

AND when he was entered into a ship, his disciples followed him. And behold, there arose a great tempest in the sea, insomuch that the ship was covered with the waves: but he was asleep. And his disciples came to him, and awoke him, saying, Lord, save us, we perish. And he saith unto them, Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith? Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm. But the men marvelled, saying, What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him! And when he was come to the

other side into the country of the Gergesenes, there met him two possessed with devils, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way. And behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God? art thou come hither to torment us before the time? And there was a good way off from them an herd of many swine, feeding. So the devils besought him, saying, If thou cast us out, suffer us to go away into the herd of swine. And he said unto them, Go. And when they were come out, they went into the herd of swine: and behold, the whole herd of swine ran violently down a steep place into the sea, and perished in the waters. And they that kept them fled, and went their ways into the city, and told every thing, and what was befallen to the possessed of the devils. And behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus: and when they saw him, they besought him, that he would depart out of their coasts.

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech thee to keep thy Church and household continually in thy true religion; that they who do lean only upon the hope of thy heavenly grace may evermore be defended by thy mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

5TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY.

THE EPISTLE. Colossians 3. 12.

PUT on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, long-suffering; forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any; even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms, and hymns, and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. And whatsoever ye do, in word or deed, do all in the Name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 13. 24.

THE kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field. But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also. So the servants of the householder came, and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares? He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up? But he said, Nay; lest

while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest; and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, whose blessed Son was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil, and make us the sons of God, and heirs of eternal life; Grant us, we beseech thee, that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves, even as he is pure; that, when he shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, he liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 St. John 3. 1.

BEHOLD, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know, that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he

is pure. Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law. And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin. Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not: whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him. Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous. He that committeth sin is of the devil: for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 24. 23.

THEN if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not. For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that (if it were possible) they shall deceive the very elect. Behold, I have told you before. Wherefore, if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not. For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of Man be. For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together. Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken. And then shall appear the sign of

the Son of Man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of Man coming in the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory. And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

THE SUNDAY CALLED SEPTUAGESIMA,

Or the Third Sunday before Lent.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech thee favourably to hear the prayers of thy people; that we, who are justly punished for our offences, may be mercifully delivered by thy goodness, for the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 Corinthians 9. 24.

KNOW ye not, that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run that ye may obtain. And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things: now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown, but we an incorruptible. I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air: but I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection, lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a cast-away.

SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 20. 1.

THE kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder, which went out early in the morning to hire labourers into his vineyard. And when he had agreed with the labourers for a penny a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And he went out about the third hour, and saw others standing idle in the market-place, and said unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you. And they went their way. Again he went out about the sixth and ninth hour, and did likewise. And about the eleventh hour he went out, and found others standing idle, and saith unto them, Why stand ye here all the day idle? They say unto him, Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive. So when even was come, the lord of the vineyard saith unto his steward, Call the labourers, and give them their hire, beginning from the last unto the first. And when they came that were hired about the eleventh hour, they received every man a penny. But when the first came, they supposed that they should have received more; and they likewise received every man a penny. And when they had received it, they murmured against the good-man of the house, saying, These last have wrought but one hour, and thou hast made them equal unto us, which have borne the burden and heat of the day. But he answered one of them, and said, Friend, I do thee no

wrong; didst not thou agree with me for a penny? Take that thine is, and go thy way; I will give unto this last even as unto thee. Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? Is thine eye evil, because I am good? So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few chosen.

THE SUNDAY CALLED SEXAGESIMA,

Or the Second Sunday before Lent.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD God, who seest that we put not our trust in any thing that we do; Mercifully grant that by thy power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 2 Corinthians 11. 19.

YE suffer fools gladly, seeing ye yourselves are wise. For ye suffer if a man bring you into bondage, if a man devour you, if a man take of you, if a man exalt himself, if a man smite you on the face. I speak as concerning reproach, as though we had been weak: howbeit, whereinsoever any is bold, (I speak foolishly,) I am bold also. Are they Hebrews? so am I. Are they Israelites? so am I. Are they the seed of Abraham? so am I. Are they ministers of Christ? (I speak as a fool,) I am more: in labours more abundant; in stripes above measure; in prisons more frequent; in deaths oft. Of the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one; thrice was I beaten with rods; once was I

stoned; thrice I suffered shipwreck; a night and a day I have been in the deep; in journeying often; in perils of waters; in perils of robbers; in perils by mine own countrymen; in perils by the heathen; in perils in the city; in perils in the wilderness; in perils in the sea; in perils among false brethren; in weariness and painfulness; in watchings often; in hunger and thirst; in fastings often; in cold and nakedness; besides those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the churches. Who is weak, and I am not weak? who is offended, and I burn not? If I must needs glory, I will glory of the things which concern mine infirmities. The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which is blessed for evermore, knoweth that I lie not.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 8. 4.

WHEN much people were gathered together, and were come to him out of every city, he spake by a parable: A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell by the way-side, and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air devoured it. And some fell upon a rock, and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away, because it lacked moisture. And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it, and choked it. And other fell on good ground, and sprang up, and bare fruit an hundredfold. And when he had said these things, he cried, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear. And his disciples asked him, saying, What might this parable be? And he said, Unto

you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the Word of God. Those by the way-side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe, and be saved. They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away. And that which fell among thorns, are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares, and riches, and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection. But that on the good ground, are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.

THE SUNDAY CALLED QUINQUAGESIMA,

Or the next Sunday before Lent.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, who hast taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth; Send thy Holy Ghost, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whosoever liveth is counted dead before thee: Grant this for thine only Son Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY.

THE EPISTLE. 1 Corinthians 13. 1.

THOUGH I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing. And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing. Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil, rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away. For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away. When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. For now we see through a glass darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known. And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.

QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 18. 31.

THEN Jesus took unto him the twelve, and said unto them, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and all things that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of Man shall be accomplished. For he shall be delivered unto the Gentiles, and shall be mocked, and spitefully entreated, and spitted on: and they shall scourge him, and put him to death; and the third day he shall rise again. And they understood none of these things: and this saying was hid from them, neither knew they the things which were spoken. And it came to pass, that as he was come nigh unto Jericho, a certain blind man sat by the way-side begging: and hearing the multitude pass by, he asked what it meant. And they told him, that Jesus of Nazareth passeth by. And he cried, saying, Jesus, thou Son of David, have mercy on me. And they which went before rebuked him, that he should hold his peace: but he cried so much the more, Thou Son of David, have mercy on me. And Jesus stood, and commanded him to be brought unto him: and when he was come near, he asked him, saying, What wilt thou that I should do unto thee? And he said, Lord, that I may receive my sight. And Jesus said unto him, Receive thy sight; thy faith hath saved thee. And immediately he received his sight, and followed him, glorifying God: and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise unto God.

The First Day of Lent, commonly called

ASH-WEDNESDAY

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent; Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *This Collect is to be read every day in Lent after the Collect appointed for the Day.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Joel 2. 12.

TURN ye even to me, saith the Lord, with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning. And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil. Who knoweth if he will return, and repent, and leave a blessing behind him, even a meat-offering and a drink-offering unto the Lord your God? Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly, gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts; let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet; let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare

thy people, O Lord, and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God?

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 6. 16.

WHEN ye fast, be not as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces, that they may appear unto men to fast. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But thou, when thou fastest, anoint thine head, and wash thy face, that thou appear not unto men to fast, but unto thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly. Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, who for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights; Give us grace to use such abstinence, that, our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey thy godly motions in righteousness, and true holiness, to thy honour and glory, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT.

THE EPISTLE. 2 Corinthians 6. 1.

WE then, as workers together with him, beseech you also, that ye receive not the grace of God in vain; (for he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation;) giving no offence in any thing, that the ministry be not blamed; but in all things approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses, in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labours, in watchings, in fastings; by pureness, by knowledge, by long-suffering, by kindness, by the holy Ghost, by love unfeigned, by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, by honour and dishonour, by evil report and good report; as deceivers, and yet true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as chastened, and not killed; as sorrowful, yet alway rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 4. 1.

THEN was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness, to be tempted of the devil. And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward anhungred. And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread.

But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God. Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple, and saith unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down; for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning thee, and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone. Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; and saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan; for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve. Then the devil leaveth him, and behold, angels came and ministered unto him.

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves; Keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT.

THE EPISTLE. 1 Thessalonians 4. 1.

WE beseech you, brethren, and exhort you by the Lord Jesus, that as ye have received of us how ye ought to walk, and to please God, so ye would abound more and more. For ye know what commandments we gave you by the Lord Jesus. For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication; that every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour; not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God; that no man go beyond and defraud his brother in any matter; because that the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you, and testified. For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness. He therefore that despiseth despiseth not man, but God, who hath also given unto us his holy Spirit.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 15. 21.

JESUS went thence, and departed into the coasts of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried unto him, saying, Have mercy on me, O Lord, thou Son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil. But he answered her not a word. And his disciples came and besought him, saying, Send her away; for she crieth after us. But he answered and said, I am not sent, but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel. Then came she and worshipped him,

saying, Lord, help me. But he answered and said, It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it to dogs. And she said, Truth, Lord; yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table. Then Jesus answered and said unto her, O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour.

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT.

THE COLLECT.

WE beseech thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of thy Majesty, to be our defence against all our enemies; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Ephesians 5. 1.

BE ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; and walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savour. But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named amongst you, as becometh saints; neither filthiness, nor foolish-talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient; but rather giving of thanks: for this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ, and of God. Let no man deceive

you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience. Be not ye therefore partakers with them: for ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light; (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, and righteousness, and truth;) proving what is acceptable unto the Lord. And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them: for it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret. But all things that are reproved are made manifest by the light: for whatsoever doth make manifest is light. Wherefore he saith, Awake, thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 11. 14.

JESUS was casting out a devil, and it was dumb. And it came to pass, when the devil was gone out, the dumb spake; and the people wondered. But some of them said, He casteth out devils through Beelzebub, the chief of the devils. And others, tempting him, sought of him a sign from heaven. But he, knowing their thoughts, said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and a house divided against a house falleth. If Satan also be divided against himself, how shall his kingdom stand? because ye say, that I cast out devils through Beelzebub. And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your sons cast them out? therefore shall they be your

judges. But if I with the finger of God cast out devils, no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you. When a strong man armed keepeth his palace, his goods are in peace; but when a stronger than he shall come upon him, and overcome him, he taketh from him all his armour wherein he trusted, and divideth his spoils. He that is not with me is against me: and he that gathereth not with me scattereth. When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest; and finding none, he saith, I will return unto my house whence I came out. And when he cometh, he findeth it swept and garnished. Then goeth he and taketh to him seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in, and dwell there; and the last state of that man is worse than the first. And it came to pass, as he spake these things, a certain woman of the company lift up her voice, and said unto him, Blessed is the womb that bare thee, and the paps which thou hast sucked. But he said, Yea rather, blessed are they that hear the Word of God, and keep it.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of thy grace may mercifully be relieved; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT.

THE EPISTLE. Galatians 4. 21.

TELL me, ye that desire to be under the law, do ye not hear the law? For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bond-maid, the other by a free-woman. But he who was of the bond-woman was born after the flesh; but he of the free-woman was by promise. Which things are an allegory: for these are the two covenants; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar. For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children. But Jerusalem which is above is free; which is the mother of us all. For it is written, Rejoice, thou barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not: for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband. Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise. But as then he that was born after the flesh persecuted him that was born after the Spirit; even so it is now. Nevertheless, what saith the Scripture? Cast out the bond-woman and her son; for the son of the bond-woman shall not be heir with the son of the free-woman. So then, brethren, we are not children of the bond-woman, but of the free.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 6. 1.

JESUS went over the sea of Galilee, which is the sea of Tiberias. And a great multitude followed him, because they saw his

miracles which he did on them that were diseased. And Jesus went up into a mountain, and there he sat with his disciples. And the Passover, a feast of the Jews, was nigh. When Jesus then lift up his eyes, and saw a great company come unto him, he saith unto Philip, Whence shall we buy bread, that these may eat? (And this he said to prove him; for he himself knew what he would do.) Philip answered him, Two hundred pennyworth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little. One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, saith unto him, There is a lad here, which hath five barley-loaves, and two small fishes: but what are they among so many? And Jesus said, Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would. When they were filled, he said unto his disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost. Therefore they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley-loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten. Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth that Prophet that should come into the world.

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT.

THE COLLECT.

WE beseech thee, Almighty God, mercifully to look upon thy people; that by thy great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore, both in body and soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Hebrews 9. 11.

CHRIST being come an High Priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands; that is to say, not of this building; neither by the blood of goats and calves; but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us. For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh; how much more shall the blood of Christ, who, through the eternal Spirit, offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? And for this cause he is the Mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 8. 46.

JESUS said, Which of you convinceth me of sin? and if I say the truth, why do ye not believe me? He that is of God hear-

eth God's words; ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God. Then answered the Jews, and said unto him, Say we not well, that thou art a Samaritan, and hast a devil? Jesus answered, I have not a devil; but I honour my Father, and ye do dishonour me. And I seek not mine own glory; there is one that seeketh and judgeth. Verily, verily, I say unto you, If a man keep my saying, he shall never see death. Then said the Jews unto him, Now we know that thou hast a devil: Abraham is dead, and the prophets; and thou sayest, If a man keep my saying, he shall never taste of death. Art thou greater than our father Abraham, which is dead? and the prophets are dead: whom makest thou thyself? Jesus answered, If I honour myself, my honour is nothing; it is my Father that honoureth me, of whom ye say, that he is your God: yet ye have not known him; but I know him: and if I should say, I know him not, I shall be a liar like unto you; but I know him, and keep his saying. Your father Abraham rejoiced to see my day, and he saw it, and was glad. Then said the Jews unto him, Thou art not yet fifty years old, and hast thou seen Abraham? Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, before Abraham was, I am. Then took they up stones to cast at him: but Jesus hid himself, and went out of the temple.

THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE EASTER.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility; Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Philippians 2. 5.

LET this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God; but made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: and being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a Name which is above every name; that at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE EASTER.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 27. 1.

WHEN the morning was come, all the chief priests and elders of the people took counsel against Jesus, to put him to death. And when they had bound him, they led him away, and delivered him to Pontius Pilate the governor. Then Judas who had betrayed him, when he saw that he was condemned, repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, saying, I have sinned, in that I have betrayed the innocent blood. And they said, What is that to us? see thou to that. And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himself. And the chief priests took the silver pieces, and said, It is not lawful for to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of blood. And they took counsel, and bought with them the potter's field, to bury strangers in. Wherefore that field was called, The field of blood, unto this day. (Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying, And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him that was valued, whom they of the children of Israel did value, and gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord appointed me.) And Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the Jews? And Jesus said unto him, Thou sayest. And when he was accused of the chief priests and elders, he answered nothing. Then saith Pilate unto

him, Hearest thou not how many things they witness against thee? And he answered him to never a word, insomuch that the governor marvelled greatly. Now at that feast the governor was wont to release unto the people a prisoner, whom they would. And they had then a notable prisoner, called Barabbas. Therefore when they were gathered together, Pilate said unto them, Whom will ye that I release unto you? Barabbas, or Jesus which is called Christ? For he knew that for envy they had delivered him. When he was set down on the judgement-seat, his wife sent unto him, saying, Have thou nothing to do with that just man: for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of him. But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitude that they should ask Barabbas, and destroy Jesus. The governor answered and said unto them, Whether of the twain will ye that I release unto you? They said, Barabbas. Pilate saith unto them, What shall I do then with Jesus, which is called Christ? They all say unto him, Let him be crucified. And the governor said, Why, what evil hath he done? But they cried out the more, saying, Let him be crucified. When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but that rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye to it. Then answered all the people, and said, His blood be on us, and on our children. Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when

he had scourged Jesus he delivered him to be crucified. Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the common hall, and gathered unto him the whole band of soldiers. And they stripped him, and put on him a scarlet robe. And when they had platted a crown of thorns they put it upon his head, and a reed in his right hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, saying, Hail, King of the Jews. And they spit upon him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head. And after that they had mocked him they took the robe off from him, and put his own raiment on him, and led him away to crucify him. And as they came out they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name; him they compelled to bear his cross. And when they were come unto a place called Golgotha, that is to say, a place of a skull, they gave him vinegar to drink mingled with gall: and when he had tasted thereof, he would not drink. And they crucified him, and parted his garments, casting lots: that it might be fulfilled, which was spoken by the prophet, They parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast lots. And sitting down they watched him there; and set up over his head his accusation written, THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS. Then were there two thieves crucified with him; one on the right hand, and another on the left. And they that passed by reviled him, wagging their heads, and saying, Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days, save thyself: if thou be the

Son of God, come down from the cross. Likewise also the chief priests mocking him, with the scribes and elders, said, He saved others, himself he cannot save: if he be the King of Israel, let him now come down from the cross, and we will believe him. He trusted in God; let him deliver him now, if he will have him: for he said, I am the Son of God. The thieves also, which were crucified with him, cast the same in his teeth. Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, *Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?* that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? Some of them that stood there, when they heard that, said, This man calleth for Elias. And straightway one of them ran, and took a spunge, and filled it with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink. The rest said, Let be, let us see whether Elias will come to save him. Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost. And behold, the vail of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom, and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent, and the graves were opened, and many bodies of saints which slept arose, and came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many. Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying, Truly this was the Son of God.

MONDAY BEFORE EASTER.

FOR THE EPISTLE. Isaiah 63. 1.

WHO is this that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah? this that is glorious in his apparel, travelling in the greatness of his strength? I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save. Wherefore art thou red in thine apparel, and thy garments like him that treadeth in the wine-fat? I have trodden the wine-press alone, and of the people there was none with me: for I will tread them in mine anger, and trample them in my fury, and their blood shall be sprinkled upon my garments, and I will stain all my raiment. For the day of vengeance is in mine heart, and the year of my redeemed is come. And I looked, and there was none to help; and I wondered that there was none to uphold: therefore mine own arm brought salvation unto me, and my fury it upheld me. And I will tread down the people in mine anger, and make them drunk in my fury, and I will bring down their strength to the earth. I will mention the loving-kindnesses of the Lord, and the praises of the Lord, according to all that the Lord hath bestowed on us, and the great goodness towards the house of Israel, which he hath bestowed on them, according to his mercies, and according to the multitude of his loving-kindnesses. For he said, Surely they are my people, children that will not lie: so he was their Saviour. In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them: in his love, and in his pity, he redeemed them, and he bare

them, and carried them all the days of old. But they rebelled, and vexed his Holy Spirit; therefore he was turned to be their enemy, and he fought against them. Then he remembered the days of old, Moses and his people, saying, Where is he that brought them up out of the sea with the shepherd of his flock? where is he that put his Holy Spirit within him? that led them by the right hand of Moses, with his glorious arm, dividing the water before them, to make himself an everlasting Name? that led them through the deep as an horse in the wilderness, that they should not stumble? As a beast goeth down into the valley, the Spirit of the Lord caused him to rest: so didst thou lead thy people, to make thyself a glorious Name. Look down from heaven, and behold from the habitation of thy holiness, and of thy glory: where is thy zeal, and thy strength, the sounding of thy bowels, and of thy mercies towards me? Are they restrained? Doubtless thou art our Father, though Abraham be ignorant of us, and Israel acknowledge us not: Thou, O Lord, art our Father, our Redeemer, thy Name is from everlasting. O Lord, why hast thou made us to err from thy ways? and hardened our hearts from thy fear? Return for thy servants' sake, the tribes of thine inheritance. The people of thy holiness have possessed it but a little while: our adversaries have trodden down thy sanctuary. We are thine: thou never barest rule over them; they were not called by thy Name.

MONDAY BEFORE EASTER.

THE GOSPEL. St. Mark 14. 1.

AFTER two days was the feast of the Passover, and of unleavened bread: and the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might take him by craft, and put him to death. But they said, Not on the feast-day, lest there be an uproar of the people. And being in Bethany, in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at meat, there came a woman having an alabaster box of ointment of spikenard, very precious; and she brake the box, and poured it on his head. And there were some that had indignation within themselves, and said, Why was this waste of the ointment made? for it might have been sold for more than three hundred pence, and have been given to the poor: and they murmured against her. And Jesus said, Let her alone; why trouble ye her? she hath wrought a good work on me: for ye have the poor with you always, and whensoever ye will ye may do them good; but me ye have not always. She hath done what she could; she is come aforehand to anoint my body to the burying. Verily I say unto you, Wheresoever this Gospel shall be preached throughout the whole world, this also that she hath done shall be spoken of for a memorial of her. And Judas Iscariot, one of the twelve, went unto the chief priests to betray him unto them. And when they heard it they were glad, and promised to give him money. And he sought how he might conveniently betray him. And the first day of unleavened bread, when they killed the

passover, his disciples said unto him, Where wilt thou that we go and prepare, that thou mayest eat the passover? And he sendeth forth two of his disciples, and saith unto them, Go ye into the city, and there shall meet you a man bearing a pitcher of water; follow him: And wheresoever he shall go in, say ye to the good-man of the house, The Master saith, Where is the guest-chamber, where I shall eat the passover with my disciples? And he will shew you a large upper-room furnished, and prepared: there make ready for us. And his disciples went forth, and came into the city, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the passover. And in the evening he cometh with the twelve. And as they sat, and did eat, Jesus said, Verily I say unto you, One of you which eateth with me shall betray me. And they began to be sorrowful, and to say unto him one by one, Is it I? and another said, Is it I? And he answered and said unto them, It is one of the twelve that dippeth with me in the dish. The Son of Man indeed goeth, as it is written of him: but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed: good were it for that man if he had never been born. And as they did eat, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and brake it, and gave to them, and said, Take, eat: this is my body. And he took the cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them: and they all drank of it. And he said unto them, This is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many. Verily I say unto you, I will drink no more of the fruit of the vine,

until that day that I drink it new in the Kingdom of God. And when they had sung an hymn they went out into the mount of Olives. And Jesus saith unto them, All ye shall be offended because of me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered. But, after that I am risen, I will go before you into Galilee. But Peter said unto him, Although all shall be offended, yet will not I. And Jesus saith unto him, Verily I say unto thee, That this day, even in this night, before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice. But he spake the more vehemently. If I should die with thee, I will not deny thee in any wise. Likewise also said they all. And they came to a place which was named Gethsemane: and he saith to his disciples, Sit ye here, while I shall pray. And he taketh with him Peter, and James, and John, and began to be sore amazed, and to be very heavy, and saith unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful unto death; tarry ye here, and watch. And he went forward a little, and fell on the ground, and prayed, that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. And he said, Abba, Father, all things are possible unto thee; take away this cup from me; nevertheless, not what I will, but what thou wilt. And he cometh and findeth them sleeping, and saith unto Peter, Simon, sleepest thou? couldest not thou watch one hour? Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation: the spirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak. And again he went away, and prayed, and spake the same words. And

when he returned he found them asleep again, (for their eyes were heavy,) neither wist they what to answer him. And he cometh the third time, and saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take your rest: it is enough, the hour is come; behold, the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise up, let us go; lo, he that betrayeth me is at hand. And immediately, while he yet spake, cometh Judas, one of the twelve, and with him a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders. And he that betrayed him had given them a token, saying, Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is he; take him, and lead him away safely. And as soon as he was come he goeth straightway to him, and saith, Master, master; and kissed him. And they laid their hands on him, and took him. And one of them that stood by drew a sword, and smote a servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear. And Jesus answered, and said unto them, Are ye come out as against a thief, with swords and with staves, to take me? I was daily with you in the temple teaching, and ye took me not: but the Scriptures must be fulfilled. And they all forsook him, and fled. And there followed him a certain young man, having a linen cloth cast about his naked body; and the young men laid hold on him: and he left the linen cloth, and fled from them naked. And they led Jesus away to the high priest: and with him were assembled all the chief priests, and the elders, and the scribes. And Peter followed him afar off, even into the palace of

the high priest; and he sat with the servants, and warmed himself at the fire. And the chief priests and all the council sought for witness against Jesus to put him to death; and found none. For many bare false witness against him, but their witness agreed not together. And there arose certain, and bare false witness against him, saying, We heard him say, I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and within three days I will build another made without hands. But neither so did their witness agree together. And the high priest stood up in the midst, and asked Jesus, saying, Answerest thou nothing? what is it which these witness against thee? But he held his peace, and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked him, and said unto him, Art thou the Christ, the Son of the Blessed? And Jesus said, I am; and ye shall see the Son of Man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven. Then the high priest rent his clothes, and saith, What need we any further witnesses? ye have heard the blasphemy: what think ye? And they all condemned him to be guilty of death. And some began to spit on him, and to cover his face, and to buffet him, and to say unto him, Prophesy: and the servants did strike him with the palms of their hands. And as Peter was beneath in the palace there cometh one of the maids of the high priest; and when she saw Peter warming himself she looked upon him, and said, And thou also wast with Jesus of Nazareth. But he denied, saying, I know not, neither under-

stand I what thou sayest. And he went out into the porch; and the cock crew. And a maid saw him again, and began to say to them that stood by, This is one of them. And he denied it again. And a little after, they that stood by said again to Peter, Surely thou art one of them; for thou art a Galilean, and thy speech agreeth thereto. But he began to curse and to swear, saying, I know not this man of whom ye speak. And the second time the cock crew. And Peter called to mind the word that Jesus said unto him, Before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice. And when he thought thereon, he wept.

TUESDAY BEFORE EASTER.

FOR THE EPISTLE. Isaiah 50. 5.

THE Lord God hath opened mine ear, and I was not rebellious, neither turned away back. I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not my face from shame and spitting. For the Lord God will help me, therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed. He is near that justifieth me; who will contend with me? Let us stand together; who is mine adversary? let him come near to me. Behold, the Lord God will help me; who is he that shall condemn me? Lo, they all shall wax old as a garment: the moth shall eat them up. Who is among you that feareth the Lord, that obeyeth the voice of

his servant, that walketh in darkness, and hath no light? let him trust in the Name of the Lord, and stay upon his God. Behold, all ye that kindle a fire, that compass yourselves about with sparks; walk in the light of your fire, and in the sparks that ye have kindled. This shall ye have of mine hand, ye shall lie down in sorrow.

THE GOSPEL. St. Mark 15. 1.

AND straightway in the morning the chief priests held a consultation with the elders, and scribes, and the whole council, and bound Jesus, and carried him away, and delivered him to Pilate. And Pilate asked him, Art thou the King of the Jews? And he answering said unto him, Thou sayest it. And the chief priests accused him of many things: but he answered nothing. And Pilate asked him again, saying, Answerest thou nothing? behold how many things they witness against thee. But Jesus yet answered nothing: so that Pilate marvelled. Now at that feast he released unto them one prisoner, whomsoever they desired. And there was one named Barabbas, which lay bound with them that had made insurrection with him, who had committed murder in the insurrection. And the multitude, crying aloud, began to desire him to do as he had ever done unto them. But Pilate answered them, saying, Will ye that I release unto you the King of the Jews? For he knew that the chief priests had delivered him for

envy. But the chief priests moved the people, that he should rather release Barabbas unto them. And Pilate answered, and said again unto them, What will ye then that I shall do unto him whom ye call the King of the Jews? And they cried out again, Crucify him. Then Pilate said unto them, Why, what evil hath he done? And they cried out the more exceedingly, Crucify him. And so Pilate, willing to content the people, released Barabbas unto them, and delivered Jesus, when he had scourged him, to be crucified. And the soldiers led him away into the hall, called Prætorium; and they call together the whole band. And they clothed him with purple, and platted a crown of thorns, and put it about his head: and began to salute him, Hail, King of the Jews. And they smote him on the head with a reed, and did spit upon him, and bowing their knees worshipped him. And when they had mocked him they took off the purple from him, and put his own clothes on him, and led him out to crucify him. And they compel one Simon a Cyrenian, who passed by, coming out of the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to bear his cross. And they bring him unto the place Golgotha, which is, being interpreted, The place of a skull. And they gave him to drink wine mingled with myrrh; but he received it not. And when they had crucified him they parted his garments, casting lots upon them, what every man should take. And it was the third hour, and they crucified him. And the super-

scription of his accusation was written over, THE KING OF THE JEWS. And with him they crucify two thieves, the one on his right hand, and the other on his left. And the scripture was fulfilled, which saith, And he was numbered with the transgressors. And they that passed by railed on him, wagging their heads, and saying, Ah, thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days, save thyself, and come down from the cross. Likewise also the chief priests mocking said among themselves, with the scribes, He saved others; himself he cannot save. Let Christ the King of Israel descend now from the cross, that we may see and believe. And they that were crucified with him reviled him. And when the sixth hour was come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, *Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?* which is, being interpreted, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? And some of them that stood by, when they heard it, said, Behold, he calleth Elias. And one ran and filled a spunge full of vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink, saying, Let alone; let us see whether Elias will come to take him down. And Jesus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost. And the vail of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom. And when the centurion, which stood over against him, saw that he so cried out, and gave up the ghost, he said, Truly this man was the Son of God.

WEDNESDAY BEFORE EASTER.

THE EPISTLE. Hebrews 9. 16.

WHERE a testament is, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator: for a testament is of force after men are dead; otherwise it is of no strength at all whilst the testator liveth. Whereupon, neither the first testament was dedicated without blood: for when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people, according to the law, he took the blood of calves and of goats, with water, and scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book, and all the people, saying, This is the blood of the testament, which God hath enjoined unto you. Moreover, he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle, and all the vessels of the ministry. And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission. It was therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us; nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest entereth into the holy place every year with blood of others: for then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world; but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. And as it is appointed unto men once to

die, but after this the judgement: so Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 22. 1.

NOW the feast of unleavened bread drew nigh, which is called the Passover. And the chief priests and scribes sought how they might kill him; for they feared the people. Then entered Satan into Judas surnamed Iscariot, being of the number of the twelve. And he went his way, and communed with the chief priests and captains, how he might betray him unto them. And they were glad, and covenanted to give him money. And he promised, and sought opportunity to betray him unto them in the absence of the multitude. Then came the day of unleavened bread, when the passover must be killed. And he sent Peter and John, saying, Go and prepare us the passover, that we may eat. And they said unto him, Where wilt thou that we prepare? And he said unto them, Behold, when ye are entered into the city, there shall a man meet you, bearing a pitcher of water; follow him into the house where he entereth in. And ye shall say unto the good-man of the house, The Master saith unto thee, Where is the guest-chamber, where I shall eat the passover with my disciples? And he shall shew you a large upper room furnished; there make ready. And they went, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the passover. And when the

hour was come he sat down, and the twelve Apostles with him. And he said unto them, With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer: for I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the Kingdom of God. And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, Take this, and divide it among yourselves. For I say unto you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the Kingdom of God shall come. And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body, which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me. Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you. But behold, the hand of him that betrayeth me is with me on the table. And truly the Son of Man goeth as it was determined; but woe unto that man by whom he is betrayed. And they began to enquire among themselves, which of them it was that should do this thing. And there was also a strife among them, which of them should be accounted the greatest. And he said unto them, The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and they that exercise authority upon them are called benefactors. But ye shall not be so: but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve. For whether is greater, he that sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? is not he that sitteth at meat? but I am among you as he that serveth. Ye are they which have continued with me in my

temptations. And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me; that ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: but I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not; and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren. And he said unto him, Lord, I am ready to go with thee both into prison and to death. And he said, I tell thee, Peter, the cock shall not crow this day, before that thou shalt thrice deny that thou knowest me. And he said unto them, When I sent you without purse, and scrip, and shoes, lacked ye any thing? And they said, Nothing. Then said he unto them, But now, he that hath a purse, let him take it, and likewise his scrip: and he that hath no sword, let him sell his garment, and buy one. For I say unto you, That this that is written must yet be accomplished in me, And he was reckoned among the transgressors: for the things concerning me have an end. And they said, Lord, behold, here are two swords. And he said unto them, It is enough. And he came out, and went, as he was wont, to the mount of Olives, and his disciples also followed him. And when he was at the place, he said unto them, Pray, that ye enter not into temptation. And he was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down and prayed, saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless, not my

will, but thine be done. And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him. And being in an agony, he prayed more earnestly; and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground. And when he rose up from prayer, and was come to his disciples, he found them sleeping for sorrow, and said unto them, Why sleep ye? rise and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. And while he yet spake, behold, a multitude, and he that was called Judas, one of the twelve, went before them, and drew near unto Jesus to kiss him. But Jesus said unto him, Judas, betrayest thou the Son of Man with a kiss? When they who were about him saw what would follow, they said unto him, Lord, shall we smite with the sword? And one of them smote the servant of the high priest, and cut off his right ear. And Jesus answered and said, Suffer ye thus far. And he touched his ear, and healed him. Then Jesus said unto the chief priests, and captains of the temple, and the elders who were come to him, Be ye come out as against a thief, with swords and staves? When I was daily with you in the temple, ye stretched forth no hands against me: but this is your hour, and the power of darkness. Then took they him, and led him, and brought him into the high priest's house: and Peter followed afar off. And when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the hall, and were set down together, Peter sat down among them. But a certain maid beheld him, as he sat by the fire, and

earnestly looked upon him, and said, This man was also with him. And he denied him, saying, Woman, I know him not. And after a little while another saw him, and said, Thou art also of them. And Peter said, Man, I am not. And about the space of one hour after, another confidently affirmed, saying, Of a truth this fellow also was with him; for he is a Galilean. And Peter said, Man, I know not what thou sayest. And immediately, while he yet spake, the cock crew. And the Lord turned, and looked upon Peter; and Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice. And Peter went out, and wept bitterly. And the men that held Jesus mocked him, and smote him. And when they had blindfolded him, they struck him on the face, and asked him, saying, Prophesy, who is it that smote thee? And many other things blasphemously spake they against him. And as soon as it was day, the elders of the people, and the chief priests, and the scribes, came together, and led him into their council, saying, Art thou the Christ? tell us. And he said unto them, If I tell you, ye will not believe: and if I also ask you, ye will not answer me, nor let me go. Hereafter shall the Son of Man sit on the right hand of the power of God. Then said they all, Art thou then the Son of God? And he said unto them, Ye say that I am. And they said, What need we any further witness? for we ourselves have heard of his own mouth.

THURSDAY BEFORE EASTER.

THE EPISTLE. 1 Corinthians 11. 17.

IN this that I declare unto you, I praise you not; that ye come together not for the better, but for the worse. For first of all, when ye come together in the church, I hear that there be divisions among you, and I partly believe it. For there must be also heresies among you, that they who are approved may be made manifest among you. When ye come together therefore into one place, this is not to eat the Lord's supper: for in eating every one taketh before other his own supper; and one is hungry, and another is drunken. What, have ye not houses to eat and to drink in? or despise ye the church of God, and shame them that have not? What shall I say to you? shall I praise you in this? I praise you not. For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus, the same night in which he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat; this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me. After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me. For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come. Wherefore, whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord.

But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep. For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged. But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world. Wherefore, my brethren, when ye come together to eat, tarry one for another. And if any man hunger, let him eat at home; that ye come not together unto condemnation. And the rest will I set in order when I come.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 23. 1.

THE whole multitude of them arose, and led him unto Pilate. And they began to accuse him, saying, We found this fellow perverting the nation, and forbidding to give tribute to Cæsar, saying, That he himself is Christ a King. And Pilate asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the Jews? And he answered him, and said, Thou sayest it. Then said Pilate to the chief priests, and to the people, I find no fault in this man. And they were the more fierce, saying, He stirreth up the people, teaching throughout all Jewry, beginning from Galilee to this place. When Pilate heard of Galilee, he asked whether the man were a Galilean. And as soon as he knew that he belonged unto Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who himself was also at Jerusalem at that

time. And when Herod saw Jesus he was exceeding glad; for he was desirous to see him of a long season, because he had heard many things of him; and he hoped to have seen some miracle done by him. Then he questioned with him in many words; but he answered him nothing. And the chief priests and scribes stood and vehemently accused him. And Herod with his men of war set him at nought, and mocked him, and arrayed him in a gorgeous robe, and sent him again to Pilate. And the same day Pilate and Herod were made friends together; for before they were at enmity between themselves. And Pilate, when he had called together the chief priests, and the rulers, and the people, said unto them, Ye have brought this man unto me, as one that perverteth the people: and behold, I, having examined him before you, have found no fault in this man touching those things whereof ye accuse him: No, nor yet Herod: for I sent you to him; and lo, nothing worthy of death is done unto him. I will therefore chastise him, and release him. For of necessity he must release one unto them at the feast. And they cried out all at once, saying, Away with this man, and release unto us Barabbas: (who for a certain sedition made in the city, and for murder, was cast into prison.) Pilate therefore, willing to release Jesus, spake again to them. But they cried, saying, Crucify him, crucify him. And he said unto them the third time, Why, what evil hath he done? I have found no cause of death in him: I will therefore chastise him,

and let him go. And they were instant with loud voices, requiring that he might be crucified: and the voices of them and of the chief priests prevailed. And Pilate gave sentence that it should be as they required. And he released unto them him that for sedition and murder was cast into prison, whom they had desired; but he delivered Jesus to their will. And as they led him away, they laid hold upon one Simon a Cyrenian, coming out of the country, and on him they laid the cross, that he might bear it after Jesus. And there followed him a great company of people, and of women, which also bewailed and lamented him. But Jesus, turning unto them, said, Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children. For behold, the days are coming, in the which they shall say, Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck. Then shall they begin to say to the mountains, Fall on us; and to the hills, Cover us. For if they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry? And there were also two other, malefactors, led with him to be put to death. And when they were come to the place which is called Calvary, there they crucified him; and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left. Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots. And the people stood beholding; and the rulers also with them derided him, saying, He saved others; let him save himself, if he be Christ,

the chosen of God. And the soldiers also mocked him, coming to him, and offering him vinegar, and saying, If thou be the King of the Jews, save thyself. And a superscription also was written over him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew, THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS. And one of the malefactors, which were hanged, railed on him, saying, If thou be Christ, save thyself, and us. But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation? And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds, but this man hath done nothing amiss. And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom. And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, To-day shalt thou be with me in paradise. And it was about the sixth hour: and there was a darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour. And the sun was darkened, and the vail of the temple was rent in the midst. And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost. Now when the centurion saw what was done, he glorified God, saying, Certainly this was a righteous man. And all the people that came together to that sight, beholding the things that were done, smote their breasts, and returned. And all his acquaintance, and the women that followed him from Galilee, stood afar off, beholding these things.

GOOD FRIDAY.

THE COLLECTS.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech thee graciously to behold this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross, who now liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified; Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before thee for all estates of men in thy holy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and godly serve thee; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

O MERCIFUL God, who hast made all men, and hatest nothing that thou hast made, nor wouldest the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live; Have mercy upon all Jews, Turks, Infidels, and Hereticks, and take from them all ignorance, hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word; and so fetch them home, blessed Lord, to thy flock, that they may be saved among the remnant of the true Israelites, and be made one fold under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

GOOD FRIDAY.

THE EPISTLE. Hebrews 10. 1.

THE law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices, which they offered year by year continually, make the comers thereunto perfect: for then would they not have ceased to be offered? because that the worshippers once purged should have had no more conscience of sins. But in those sacrifices there is a remembrance again made of sins every year. For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins. Wherefore, when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me: In burnt-offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure: Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me) to do thy will, O God. Above, when he said, Sacrifice and offering, and burnt-offerings, and offering for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure therein, which are offered by the Law: then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second. By the which will we are sanctified, through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. And every priest standeth daily ministering, and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God; from henceforth expecting till his enemies be

made his footstool. For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified: Whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that he had said before, This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; and their sins and iniquities will I remember no more. Now where remission of these is, there is no more offering for sin. Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the vail, that is to say, his flesh; and having an High Priest over the house of God; let us draw near with a true heart, in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;) and let us consider one another to provoke unto love, and to good works; not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 19. 1.

PILATE therefore took Jesus, and scourged him. And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put it on his head, and they put on him a purple robe, and said, Hail, King of the Jews: and they smote him with their hands. Pilate there-

fore went forth again, and saith unto them, Behold, I bring him forth to you, that ye may know that I find no fault in him. Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And Pilate saith unto them, Behold the man! When the chief priests therefore and officers saw him, they cried out, saying, Crucify him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Take ye him, and crucify him: for I find no fault in him. The Jews answered him, We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of God. When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he was the more afraid; and went again into the judgement-hall, and saith unto Jesus, Whence art thou? But Jesus gave him no answer. Then saith Pilate unto him, Speakest thou not unto me? knowest thou not that I have power to crucify thee, and have power to release thee? Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power at all against me, except it were given thee from above: therefore he that delivered me unto thee hath the greater sin. And from thenceforth Pilate sought to release him: but the Jews cried out, saying, If thou let this man go, thou art not Cæsar's friend: whosoever maketh himself a king speaketh against Cæsar. When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he brought Jesus forth, and sat down in the judgement-seat, in a place that is called the Pavement, but in the Hebrew, Gabbatha. And it was the preparation of the passover, and about the sixth hour: and he saith unto the Jews, Behold

your King! But they cried out, Away with him, away with him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Cæsar. Then delivered he him therefore unto them to be crucified: and they took Jesus, and led him away. And he, bearing his cross, went forth into a place called the place of a skull, which is called in the Hebrew, Golgotha: where they crucified him, and two other with him, on either side one, and Jesus in the midst. And Pilate wrote a title, and put it on the cross; and the writing was, JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS. This title then read many of the Jews: for the place where Jesus was crucified was nigh to the city: and it was written in Hebrew, and Greek, and Latin. Then said the chief priests of the Jews to Pilate, Write not, The King of the Jews; but that he said, I am the King of the Jews. Pilate answered, What I have written, I have written. Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments, and made four parts, to every soldier a part; and also his coat: now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout. They said therefore among themselves, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be: that the Scripture might be fulfilled, which saith, They parted my raiment among them, and for my vesture they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did. Now there stood by the cross of Jesus, his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleophas, and Mary

Magdalene. When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, Woman, behold thy son. Then saith he to the disciple, Behold thy mother. And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own home. After this, Jesus, knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, saith, I thirst. Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and they filled a spunge with vinegar, and put it upon hyssop, and put it to his mouth. When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost. The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath-day, (for that sabbath-day was an high-day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. Then came the soldiers, and brake the legs of the first, and of the other which was crucified with him. But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, they brake not his legs. But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came thereout blood and water. And he that saw it bare record, and his record is true: and he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe. For these things were done that the Scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken. And again, another Scripture saith, They shall look on him whom they pierced.

EASTER EVEN.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, O Lord, that as we are baptized into the death of thy blessed Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, so by continual mortifying our corrupt affections we may be buried with him; and that through the grave, and gate of death, we may pass to our joyful resurrection; for his merits, who died, and was buried, and rose again for us, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 St. Peter 3. 17.

IT is better, if the will of God be so, that ye suffer for well-doing, than for evil-doing. For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit. By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison; which sometime were disobedient, when once the long-suffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing; wherein few, that is, eight souls, were saved by water. The like figure whereunto, even baptism, doth also now save us, (not the putting away the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience towards God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ: who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God, angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 27. 57.

WHEN the even was come, there came a rich man of Arimathæa, named Joseph, who also himself was Jesus' disciple. He went to Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be delivered. And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn out in the rock; and he rolled a great stone to the door of the sepulchre, and departed. And there was Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary, sitting over against the sepulchre. Now the next day that followed the day of the preparation, the chief priests and Pharisees came together unto Pilate, saying, Sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while he was yet alive, After three days I will rise again. Command therefore that the sepulchre be made sure until the third day, lest his disciples come by night and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead: so the last error shall be worse than the first. Pilate said unto them, Ye have a watch; go your way, make it as sure as you can. So they went and made the sepulchre sure, sealing the stone, and setting a watch.

EASTER-DAY.

¶ *At Morning Prayer, instead of the Psalm,* O come, let us sing, &c. *these Anthems shall be sung or said.*

CHRIST our passover is sacrificed for us: therefore let us keep the feast;
Not with the old leaven, nor with the

leaven of malice and wickedness : but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. 1 *Corinthians* 5. 7.

CHRIST being raised from the dead dieth no more : death hath no more dominion over him.

For in that he died, he died unto sin once : but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin : but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Romans* 6. 9.

CHRIST is risen from the dead : and become the first-fruits of them that slept.

For since by man came death : by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die : even so in Christ shall all be made alive. 1 *Corinthians* 15. 20.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

THE COLLECT

ALMIGHTY God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life ; We humbly beseech thee, that, as by thy special grace preventing us thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

EASTER-DAY.

THE EPISTLE. Colossians 3. 1.

IF ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth: For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory. Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry: For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience. In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 20. 1.

THE first day of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre, and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre. Then she runneth and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him. Peter therefore went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre. So they ran both together; and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre; and he, stooping down and looking in, saw the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in. Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the

linen clothes lie; and the napkin that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself. Then went in also that other disciple which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed. For as yet they knew not the Scripture, that he must rise again from the dead. Then the disciples went away again unto their own home.

MONDAY IN EASTER-WEEK.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who through thy only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life; We humbly beseech thee, that, as by thy special grace preventing us thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 10. 34.

PETER opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons; but in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him. The word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ; (he is Lord of all;) that word (I say) ye know, which was published throughout all Judæa, and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John

preached: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost, and with power; who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil: for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all things which he did, both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom they slew, and hanged on a tree: Him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly; not to all the people, but unto witnesses chosen before of God, even to us, who did eat and drink with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he who was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead. To him give all the prophets witness, that through his Name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 24. 13.

BEHOLD, two of his disciples went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem about threescore furlongs. And they talked together of all these things which had happened. And it came to pass, that while they communed together, and reasoned, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them. But their eyes were holden, that they should not know him. And he said unto them, What manner of communications are these that ye have one to another, as ye walk, and are sad? And the one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answering, said unto him, Art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known

the things which are come to pass there in these days? And he said unto them, What things? And they said unto him, Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word, before God and all the people: and how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and have crucified him. But we trusted that it had been he which should have redeemed Israel: and besides all this, to-day is the third day since these things were done. Yea, and certain women also of our company made us astonished, which were early at the sepulchre; and when they found not his body, they came, saying, that they had also seen a vision of angels, which said that he was alive. And certain of them which were with us went to the sepulchre, and found it even so as the women had said; but him they saw not. Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken: ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory? And beginning at Moses, and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself. And they drew nigh unto the village whither they went; and he made as though he would have gone further: but they constrained him, saying, Abide with us, for it is towards evening, and the day is far spent. And he went in to tarry with them. And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed it, and brake, and gave to them. And their eyes were opened, and they knew him, and he

vanished out of their sight. And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the Scriptures? And they rose up the same hour, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and them that were with them, saying, The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon. And they told what things were done in the way, and how he was known of them in breaking of bread.

TUESDAY IN EASTER-WEEK.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who through thy only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life; We humbly beseech thee, that, as by thy special grace preventing us thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 13. 26.

MEN and brethren, children of the stock of Abraham, and whosoever among you feareth God, to you is the word of this salvation sent. For they that dwell at Jerusalem, and their rulers, because they knew him not, nor yet the voices of the prophets which are read every sabbath-day, they have

fulfilled them in condemning him. And though they found no cause of death in him, yet desired they Pilate that he should be slain. And when they had fulfilled all that was written of him, they took him down from the tree, and laid him in a sepulchre. But God raised him from the dead: and he was seen many days of them which came up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem, who are his witnesses unto the people. And we declare unto you glad tidings, how that the promise which was made unto the fathers, God hath fulfilled the same unto us their children, in that he hath raised up Jesus again; as it is also written in the second Psalm, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee. And as concerning that he raised him up from the dead, now no more to return to corruption, he said on this wise, I will give you the sure mercies of David. Wherefore he saith also in another Psalm, Thou shalt not suffer thine Holy One to see corruption. For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption: But he whom God raised again saw no corruption. Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins: and by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses. Beware therefore, lest that come upon you which is spoken of in the prophets; Behold, ye despisers, and wonder, and perish: for I work a work in your days, a work which ye

shall in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 24. 36.

JESUS himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit. And he said unto them, Why are ye troubled, and why do thoughts arise in your hearts? Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have. And when he had thus spoken, he shewed them his hands and his feet. And while they yet believed not for joy, and wondered, he said unto them, Have ye here any meat? And they gave him a piece of a broiled fish, and of an honey-comb. And he took it, and did eat before them. And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the law of Moses, and in the Prophets, and in the Psalms concerning me. Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the Scriptures, and said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day; and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his Name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And ye are witnesses of these things.

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY Father, who hast given thine only Son to die for our sins, and to rise again for our justification; Grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may alway serve thee in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 St. John 5. 4.

WHATSOEVER is born of God overcometh the world; and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God? This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood: and it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth. For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one. And there are three that bear witness in earth, the spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one. If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater: for this is the witness of God, which he hath testified of his Son. He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made him a liar, because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son. And this is the record, that

God hath given to us eternal life; and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son hath not life.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 20. 19.

THE same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut, where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad when they saw the Lord. Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the holy Ghost. Whosesoever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whosesoever sins ye retain, they are retained.

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an ensample of godly life; Give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavour ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

2ND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.

THE EPISTLE. 1 St. Peter 2. 19.

THIS is thank-worthy, if a man for conscience toward God endure grief, suffering wrongfully. For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? But if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently; this is acceptable with God. For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps: who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth: who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously: who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed. For ye were as sheep going astray; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 10. 11.

JESUS said, I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth; and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep. The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay

down my life for the sheep. And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who shewest to them that be in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness; Grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's Religion, that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 St. Peter 2. 11.

DEARLY beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul; having your conversation honest among the Gentiles; that, whereas they speak against you as evil doers, they may, by your good works which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation. Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake; whether it be to the King, as supreme; or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by him, for the punishment of evil doers, and for the praise of them that do well. For so is the will of God, that with well-

doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men: as free, and not using your liberty for a cloke of maliciousness; but as the servants of God. Honour all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the King.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 16. 16.

JESUS said to his disciples, A little while and ye shall not see me; and again, a little while and ye shall see me; because I go to the Father. Then said some of his disciples among themselves, What is this that he saith unto us, A little while and ye shall not see me; and again, a little while and ye shall see me; and, Because I go to the Father? They said therefore, What is this that he saith, A little while? we cannot tell what he saith. Now Jesus knew that they were desirous to ask him, and said unto them, Do ye enquire among yourselves of that I said, A little while and ye shall not see me; and again, a little while and ye shall see me? Verily, verily I say unto you, That ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice: and ye shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy. A woman, when she is in travail, hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world. And ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men; Grant unto thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. St. James 1. 17.

EVERY good gift, and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning. Of his own will begat he us with the Word of truth, that we should be a kind of first-fruits of his creatures. Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath; for the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God. Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted Word, which is able to save your souls.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 16. 5.

JESUS said unto his disciples, Now I go my way to him that sent me, and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou? But, because I have said these things unto

you, sorrow hath filled your heart. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth; it is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgement; of sin, because they believe not on me; of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; of judgement, because the prince of this world is judged. I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit, when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you. All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, from whom all good things do come; Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

5TH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.

THE EPISTLE. St. James 1. 22.

BE ye doers of the Word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if any be a hearer of the Word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass. For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed. If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain. Pure religion, and undefiled before God and the Father, is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 16. 23.

VERILY, verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my Name, he will give it you. Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my Name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full. These things have I spoken unto you in proverbs: the time cometh when I shall no more speak unto you in proverbs, but I shall shew you plainly of the Father. At that day ye shall ask in my Name: and I say not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you; for the Father himself loveth you, because ye have loved me, and have believed that I came out from God. I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again, I leave the world, and go to

the Father. His disciples said unto him, Lo, now speakest thou plainly, and speakest no proverb. Now are we sure that thou knowest all things, and needest not that any man should ask thee: by this we believe that thou camest forth from God. Jesus answered them, Do ye now believe? Behold, the hour cometh, yea, is now come, that ye shall be scattered every man to his own, and shall leave me alone: and yet I am not alone, because the Father is with me. These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.

THE ASCENSION-DAY.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that like as we do believe thy only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens; so we may also in heart and mind thither ascend, and with him continually dwell, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 1. 1.

THE former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the Apostles whom he had chosen: to whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion, by many infallible

proofs; being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the Kingdom of God: and, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me. For John truly baptized with water, but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel? And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power. But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judæa, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up, and a cloud received him out of their sight. And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven, as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come, in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

THE GOSPEL. St. Mark 16. 14.

JESUS appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because

they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen. And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. And these signs shall follow them that believe: In my Name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God. And they went forth and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the Word with signs following.

SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION-DAY.

THE COLLECT

O GOD the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven; We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION-DAY.

THE EPISTLE. 1 St. Peter 4. 7.

THE end of all things is at hand; be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer. And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins. Use hospitality one to another without grudging. As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God: if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth; that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 15. 26, and part of Chapter 16.

WHEN the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me. And ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning. These things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be offended. They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service. And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father, nor me. But these things have I told you, that, when the time shall come, ye may remember that I told you of them.

WHIT-SUNDAY.

THE COLLECT.

GOD, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 2. 1.

WHEN the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues, like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them: and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven. Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language. And they were all amazed, and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galileans? And how hear we every man in our own tongue wherein we were born? Parthians, and Medes, and

Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judæa, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia, Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews, and Proselytes, Cretes, and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 14. 15.

JESUS said unto his disciples, If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless; I will come to you. Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also. At that day ye shall know, that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you. He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me; and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him. Judas saith unto him, (not Iscariot,) Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world? Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words, and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye

hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me. These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you. But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my Name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe. Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me. But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do.

MONDAY IN WHITSUN-WEEK.

THE COLLECT.

GOD, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 10. 34.

THEN Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons; but in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him. The Word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ; (he is Lord of all;) that Word, I say, ye know, which was published throughout all Judæa, and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John preached: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost, and with power; who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil: for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all things which he did, both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom they slew, and hanged on a tree: Him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly; not to all the people, but unto witnesses chosen before of God; even to us who did eat and drink with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead. To him give all the prophets witness, that through his Name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins. While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word. And they of the circumcision, which believed, were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because

that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost. For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Then answered Peter, Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we? And he commanded them to be baptized in the Name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 3. 16.

GOD so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already; because he hath not believed in the Name of the only-begotten Son of God. And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved. But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.

TUESDAY IN WHITSUN-WEEK.

THE COLLECT.

GOD, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 8. 14.

WHEN the Apostles, which were at Jerusalem, heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John; who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost: (for as yet he was fallen upon none of them; only they were baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus.) Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 10. 1.

VERILY, verily I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheep-fold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep: to him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice, and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. And, when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep

follow him; for they know his voice. And a stranger will they not follow; but will flee from him; for they know not the voice of strangers. This parable spake Jesus unto them: but they understood not what things they were which he spake unto them. Then said Jesus unto them again; Verily, verily I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep. All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers; but the sheep did not hear them. I am the door; by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture. The thief cometh not but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

TRINITY-SUNDAY.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hast given unto us thy servants grace by the confession of a true faith to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity; We beseech thee, that thou wouldest keep us stedfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities, who livest and reignest, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Revelation 4. 1.

AFTER this I looked, and behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a

trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter. And immediately I was in the Spirit; and behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne: and he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald. And round about the throne were four and twenty seats; and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold: And out of the throne proceeded lightnings, and thunderings, and voices. And there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven spirits of God. And before the throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind. And the first beast was like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast was like a flying eagle. And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come. And when those beasts give glory, and honour, and thanks, to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever, the four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the

throne, saying, Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory, and honour, and power; for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 3. 1.

THERE was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: the same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him. Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God. Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? Jesus answered, Verily, verily I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water, and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth; so is every one that is born of the Spirit. Nicodemus answered and said unto him, How can these things be? Jesus answered and said unto him, Art thou a master of Israel, and knowest not these things? Verily, verily I say unto thee, We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen; and ye receive not our witness.

If I have told you earthly things, and ye believe not; how shall ye believe, if I tell you of heavenly things? And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man, who is in heaven. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, the strength of all them that put their trust in thee, mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without thee, grant us the help of thy grace, that in keeping of thy commandments we may please thee, both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 St. John 4. 7.

BELOVED, let us love one another: for love is of God, and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love. In this was manifested the love of God towards us, because that God sent his only-begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitia-

tion for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us. Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us; because he hath given us of his Spirit. And we have seen, and do testify, that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world. Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God. And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him. Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgement; because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear; because fear hath torment: He that feareth is not made perfect in love. We love him, because he first loved us. If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother, whom he hath seen, how can he love God, whom he hath not seen? And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 16. 19.

THERE was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple, and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day. And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate full of sores, and desiring to be fed with the crumbs, which

fell from the rich man's table: moreover, the dogs came and licked his sores. And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died, and was buried: and in hell he lift up his eyes being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame. But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy life-time receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented. And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they who would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence. Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house: for I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment. Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them. And he said, Nay, father Abraham; but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent. And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, who never failest to help and govern them whom thou dost bring up in thy stedfast fear and love; Keep us, we beseech thee, under the protection of thy good providence, and make us to have a perpetual fear and love of thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 St. John 3. 13.

MARVEL not, my brethren, if the world hate you. We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death. Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him. Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him; how dwelleth the love of God in him? My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed, and in truth. And hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before him. For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things. Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence towards God. And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do

those things that are pleasing in his sight. And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the Name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment. And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him: and hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 14. 16.

A CERTAIN man made a great supper, and bade many; and sent his servant at supper-time to say to them that were bidden, Come, for all things are now ready. And they all with one consent began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it; I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them; I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come. So that servant came, and shewed his lord these things. Then the master of the house being angry said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind. And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room. And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the high-ways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled. For I say unto you, That none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper.

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech thee mercifully to hear us; and grant that we, to whom thou hast given an hearty desire to pray, may by thy mighty aid be defended and comforted in all dangers and adversities: through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 St. Peter 5. 5.

ALL of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time; casting all your care upon him, for he careth for you. Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about seeking whom he may devour: whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world. But the God of all grace, who hath called us into his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you. To him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 15. 1.

THEN drew near unto him all the Publicans and sinners for to hear him. And the Pharisees and Scribes murmured, saying, This man receiveth sinners, and eateth with them. And he spake this parable unto them,

saying, What man of you having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, until he find it? And when he hath found it, he layeth it on his shoulders, rejoicing. And when he cometh home, he calleth together his friends and neighbours, saying unto them, Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost. I say unto you, That likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance. Either what woman having ten pieces of silver, if she lose one piece, doth not light a candle, and sweep the house, and seek diligently till she find it? And when she hath found it, she calleth her friends and her neighbours together, saying, Rejoice with me, for I have found the piece which I had lost. Likewise, I say unto you, There is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, the protector of all that trust in thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy; Increase and multiply upon us thy mercy; that, thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake our Lord. *Amen.*

4TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE EPISTLE. Romans 8. 18.

I RECKON that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God. For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope: because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption, into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groaneth, and travaileth in pain together until now. And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the first-fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 6. 36.

BE ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful. Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven: give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal, it shall be measured to you again. And he spake a parable unto them, Can the blind lead the blind? shall they not both fall into the ditch? The disciple is not above his master; but every one that is perfect shall be as his

master. And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but perceivest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Either how canst thou say to thy brother, Brother, let me pull out the mote that is in thine eye, when thou thyself beholdest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Thou hypocrite, cast out first the beam out of thine own eye, and then shalt thou see clearly to pull out the mote that is in thy brother's eye.

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by thy governance, that thy Church may joyfully serve thee in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 St. Peter 3. 8.

BE ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous; not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing; but contrariwise blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing. For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile: let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek peace, and ensue it. For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto

their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil. And who is he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good? But and if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, happy are ye: and be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled; but sanctify the Lord God in your hearts.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 5. 1.

IT came to pass, that as the people pressed upon him to hear the Word of God, he stood by the lake of Gennesareth, and saw two ships standing by the lake; but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were washing their nets. And he entered into one of the ships, which was Simon's, and prayed him that he would thrust out a little from the land: and he sat down, and taught the people out of the ship. Now when he had left speaking, he said unto Simon, Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught. And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing; nevertheless, at thy word I will let down the net. And when they had this done, they inclosed a great multitude of fishes, and their net brake. And they beckoned unto their partners which were in the other ship, that they should come and help them. And they came, and filled both the ships, so that they began to sink. When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord. For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes

which they had taken; and so was also James, and John, the sons of Zebedee, which were partners with Simon. And Jesus said unto Simon, Fear not, from henceforth thou shalt catch men. And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all, and followed him.

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, who hast prepared for them that love thee such good things as pass man's understanding; Pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Romans 6. 3.

KNOW ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death; that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection: knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. For he that is dead is freed from sin. Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall

also live with him; knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him. For in that he died, he died unto sin once; but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God. Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 5. 20.

JESUS said unto his disciples, Except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the Scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the Kingdom of heaven. Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not kill: and whosoever shall kill, shall be in danger of the judgement. But I say unto you, that whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgement: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell-fire. Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee; leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way, first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift. Agree with thine adversary quickly, whiles thou art in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison. Verily I say unto thee, Thou shalt by no means come out thence, till thou hast paid the uttermost farthing.

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

LORD of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things; Graft in our hearts the love of thy Name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of thy great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Romans 6. 19.

I SPEAK after the manner of men, because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness, and to iniquity, unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness, unto holiness. For when ye were the servants of sin, ye were free from righteousness. What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things is death. But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life. For the wages of sin is death: but the gift of God is eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE GOSPEL. St. Mark 8. 1.

IN those days the multitude being very great, and having nothing to eat, Jesus called his disciples unto him, and saith unto

them, I have compassion on the multitude, because they have now been with me three days, and have nothing to eat: and if I send them away fasting to their own houses, they will faint by the way; for divers of them came from far. And his disciples answered him, From whence can a man satisfy these men with bread here in the wilderness? And he asked them, How many loaves have ye? And they said, Seven. And he commanded the people to sit down on the ground. And he took the seven loaves, and gave thanks, and brake, and gave to his disciples to set before them; and they did set them before the people. And they had a few small fishes; and he blessed, and commanded to set them also before them. So they did eat, and were filled: and they took up of the broken meat that was left seven baskets. And they that had eaten were about four thousand. And he sent them away.

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, whose never-failing providence ordereth all things both in heaven and earth; We humbly beseech thee to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things which be profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

8TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE EPISTLE. Romans 8. 12.

BRETHREN, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die; but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: and if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ: if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 7. 15.

BEWARE of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits: do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit; neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them. Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the Kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT to us, Lord, we beseech thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as be rightful; that we, who cannot do any thing that is good without thee, may by thee be enabled to live according to thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 Corinthians 10. 1.

BRETHREN, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; and were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud, and in the sea; and did all eat the same spiritual meat, and did all drink the same spiritual drink: (for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them; and that Rock was Christ.) But with many of them God was not well pleased; for they were overthrown in the wilderness. Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted. Neither be ye idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play. Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand. Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents. Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer. Now

all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come. Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall. There hath no temptation taken you, but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 16. 1.

JESUS said unto his disciples, There was a certain rich man which had a steward; and the same was accused unto him that he had wasted his goods. And he called him, and said unto him, How is it that I hear this of thee? Give an account of thy stewardship; for thou mayest be no longer steward. Then the steward said within himself, What shall I do? for my lord taketh away from me the stewardship: I cannot dig, to beg I am ashamed. I am resolved what to do, that, when I am put out of the stewardship, they may receive me into their houses. So he called every one of his lord's debtors unto him, and said unto the first, How much owest thou unto my lord? And he said, An hundred measures of oil. And he said unto him, Take thy bill, and sit down quickly, and write fifty. Then said he to another, And how much owest thou? And he said, An hundred measures of wheat. And he said unto him, Take thy bill, and write fourscore. And the lord commended

the unjust steward, because he had done wisely: for the children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light. And I say unto you, Make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness; that when ye fail, they may receive you into everlasting habitations.

THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

LET thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of thy humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 Corinthians 12. 1.

CONCERNING spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant. Ye know that ye were Gentiles, carried away unto these dumb idols, even as ye were led. Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed; and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost. Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God, who worketh all in all. But the manifestation of the Spirit is given

to every man to profit withal. For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit; to another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit; to another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues. But all these worketh that one and the self-same Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 19. 41.

AND when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it, saying, If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes. For the days shall come upon thee, that thine enemies shall cast a trench about thee, and compass thee round, and keep thee in on every side, and shall lay thee even with the ground, and thy children within thee; and they shall not leave in thee one stone upon another; because thou knewest not the time of thy visitation. And he went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold therein, and them that bought, saying unto them, It is written, My house is the house of prayer: but ye have made it a den of thieves. And he taught daily in the temple.

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, who declarest thy almighty power most chiefly in shewing mercy and pity; Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 Corinthians 15. 1.

BRETHREN, I declare unto you the Gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand: by which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. For I delivered unto you first of all, that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures; and that he was buried; and that he rose again the third day, according to the Scriptures; and that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve: after that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present; but some are fallen asleep: after that, he was seen of James; then of all the Apostles: and last of all, he was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time. For I am the least of the Apostles, that am not meet to be called an Apostle, because I persecuted the Church of God. But by the grace of God I am what

I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all; yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me. Therefore whether it were I or they, so we preach, and so ye believed.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 18. 9.

JESUS spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a Publican. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this Publican: I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess. And the Publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner. I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire, or deserve; Pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy; for-

giving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 2 Corinthians 3. 4.

SUCH trust have we through Christ to God-ward: not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God. Who also hath made us able ministers of the New Testament; not of the letter, but of the Spirit: for the letter killeth, but the Spirit giveth life. But if the ministration of death written and engraven in stones was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not stedfastly behold the face of Moses for the glory of his countenance, which glory was to be done away; how shall not the ministration of the Spirit be rather glorious? For if the ministration of condemnation be glory, much more doth the ministration of righteousness exceed in glory.

THE GOSPEL. St. Mark 7. 31.

JESUS, departing from the coasts of Tyre and Sidon, came unto the sea of Galilee, through the midst of the coasts of Decapolis. And they bring unto him one that was deaf, and had an impediment in his speech; and they beseech him to put his hand upon him. And he took him aside from the multitude, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spit, and touched his tongue; and looking up to heaven, he sighed, and saith unto him,

Ephphatha, that is, Be opened. And straightway his ears were opened, and the string of his tongue was loosed, and he spake plain. And he charged them that they should tell no man: but the more he charged them, so much the more a great deal they published it; and were beyond measure astonished, saying, He hath done all things well; he maketh both the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak.

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, of whose only gift it cometh that thy faithful people do unto thee true and laudable service; Grant, we beseech thee, that we may so faithfully serve thee in this life, that we fail not finally to attain thy heavenly promises; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Galatians 3. 16.

TO Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one; And to thy seed, which is Christ. And this I say. That the covenant that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the Law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect. For if the inheritance be of the Law, it is no more of promise; but God gave it to Abraham by

promise. Wherefore then serveth the Law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come, to whom the promise was made; and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator. Now a mediator is not a mediator of one; but God is one. Is the Law then against the promises of God? God forbid: for if there had been a law given which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the Law. But the Scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 10. 23.

BLESSED are the eyes which see the things that ye see. For I tell you, That many prophets and kings have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard them. And behold, a certain Lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life? He said unto him. What is written in the Law? how readest thou? And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself. And he said unto him, Thou hast answered right; this do, and thou shalt live. But he, willing to justify himself, said unto Jesus, And who is my neighbour? And Jesus answering said, A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which

stripped him of his raiment, and wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. And by chance there came down a certain Priest that way, and, when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked on him, and passed by on the other side. But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was; and, when he saw him, he had compassion on him, and went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And on the morrow, when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee. Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves? And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise.

THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

14TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE EPISTLE. Galatians 5. 16.

I SAY then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary the one to the other; so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. But if ye be led by the Spirit, ye are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these, adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, That they who do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh, with the affections and lusts.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 17. 11.

AND it came to pass, as Jesus went to Jerusalem, that he passed through the midst of Samaria, and Galilee. And as he entered into a certain village, there met him ten men that were lepers, which stood afar off. And they lifted up their voices, and said, Jesus, Master, have mercy on us. And when he saw them, he said unto them, Go, shew yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were

cleansed. And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at his feet, giving him thanks; and he was a Samaritan. And Jesus answering said, Were there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine? There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger. And he said unto him, Arise, go thy way, thy faith hath made thee whole.

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

KEEP, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy Church with thy perpetual mercy: and, because the frailty of man without thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Galatians 6. 11.

YE see how large a letter I have written unto you with mine own hand. As many as desire to make a fair shew in the flesh, they constrain you to be circumcised; only lest they should suffer persecution for the cross of Christ. For neither they themselves who are circumcised keep the law; but desire to have you circumcised, that they may glory in your flesh. But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world

is crucified unto me, and I unto the world. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature. And as many as walk according to this rule, peace be on them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. From henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus. Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 6. 24.

NO man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and Mammon. Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on: Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment? Behold the fowls of the air; for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they? Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature? And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field how they grow: they toil not, neither do they spin: and yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to-day is, and to-morrow is cast into the oven; shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? Therefore take no

thought, saying, What shall we eat? or what shall we drink? or wherewithal shall we be clothed? (for after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow; for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself: sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech thee, let thy continual pity cleanse and defend thy Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without thy succour, preserve it evermore by thy help and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Ephesians 3. 13.

I DESIRE that ye faint not at my tribulations for you, which is your glory. For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man; that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to

comprehend with all saints, what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; and to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God. Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto him be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 7. 11.

AND it came to pass the day after, that Jesus went into a city called Nain; and many of his disciples went with him, and much people. Now when he came nigh to the gate of the city, behold, there was a dead man carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and much people of the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her, and said unto her, Weep not. And he came and touched the bier, (and they that bare him stood still,) and he said, Young man, I say unto thee, Arise. And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak: and he delivered him to his mother. And there came a fear on all, and they glorified God, saying, That a great Prophet is risen up among us, and that God hath visited his people. And this rumour of him went forth throughout all Judæa, and throughout all the region round about.

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

LORD, we pray thee that thy grace may always prevent and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works: through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Ephesians 4. 1.

I THEREFORE the prisoner of the Lord beseech you, that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, with all lowliness and meekness, with long-suffering, forbearing one another in love; endeavouring to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 14. 1.

IT came to pass, as Jesus went into the house of one of the chief Pharisees to eat bread on the sabbath-day, that they watched him. And behold, there was a certain man before him which had the dropsy. And Jesus answering spake unto the Lawyers and Pharisees, saying, Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath-day? And they held their peace. And he took him, and healed him, and let him go; and answered them, saying, Which of you shall have an ass, or an ox, fallen into a pit, and will not straightway pull him out on the sabbath-day? And they could not

answer him again to these things. And he put forth a parable to those which were bidden, when he marked how they chose out the chief rooms, saying unto them, When thou art bidden of any man to a wedding, sit not down in the highest room; lest a more honourable man than thou be bidden of him; and he that bade thee and him come and say to thee, Give this man place; and thou begin with shame to take the lowest room. But when thou art bidden, go and sit down in the lowest room; that, when he that bade thee cometh, he may say unto thee, Friend, go up higher: then shalt thou have worship in the presence of them that sit at meat with thee. For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

LORD, we beseech thee, grant thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow thee the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 Corinthians 1. 4.

I THANK my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God which is given you by Jesus Christ; that in every thing ye are enriched by him, in all utterance, and in all knowledge; even as the

testimony of Christ was confirmed in you; so that ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, who shall also confirm you unto the end, that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 22. 34.

WHEN the Pharisees had heard that Jesus had put the Sadducees to silence, they were gathered together. Then one of them, who was a Lawyer, asked him a question, tempting him, and saying, Master, which is the great commandment in the Law? Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, saying, What think ye of Christ? whose son is he? They say unto him, The son of David. He saith unto them, How then doth David in spirit call him Lord, saying, The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy foot-stool? If David then call him Lord, how is he his Son? And no man was able to answer him a word; neither durst any man from that day forth ask him any more questions.

THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee; Mercifully grant, that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Ephesians 4. 17.

THIS I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind; having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart: who, being past feeling, have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness. But ye have not so learned Christ; if so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus: that ye put off, concerning the former conversation, the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; and be renewed in the spirit of your mind; and that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness. Wherefore, putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another. Be ye angry and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath: neither give place to the devil. Let him that stole steal no more; but rather let him labour, working with his

hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth. Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers. And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil-speaking, be put away from you, with all malice. And be ye kind one to another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 9. 1.

JESUS entered into a ship, and passed over, and came into his own city. And behold, they brought to him a man sick of the palsy, lying on a bed. And Jesus, seeing their faith, said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, be of good cheer, thy sins be forgiven thee. And behold, certain of the scribes said within themselves, This man blasphemeth. And Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, Wherefore think ye evil in your hearts? For whether is easier to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee? or to say, Arise, and walk? But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (then saith he to the sick of the palsy,) Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house. And he arose, and departed to his house. But when the multitude saw it, they marvelled, and glorified God, who had given such power unto men

THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY and most merciful God, of thy bountiful goodness keep us, we beseech thee, from all things that may hurt us; that we, being ready both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish those things that thou wouldest have done; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Ephesians 5. 15.

SEE then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is. And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit; speaking to yourselves in psalms, and hymns, and spiritual songs; singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ; submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 22. 1.

JESUS said, The Kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, who made a marriage for his son; and sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding; and they would not come. Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready;

come unto the marriage. But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise: and the remnant took his servants, and entreated them spitefully, and slew them. But when the king heard thereof, he was wroth; and he sent forth his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burnt up their city. Then saith he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they who were bidden were not worthy. Go ye therefore into the high-ways, and as many as ye shall find bid to the marriage. So those servants went out into the high-ways, and gathered together all, as many as they found, both bad and good; and the wedding was furnished with guests. And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding-garment. And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither, not having a wedding-garment? And he was speechless. Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. For many are called, but few are chosen.

THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

21st SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE EPISTLE. Ephesians 6. 10.

MY brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and, having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth; and having on the breast-plate of righteousness; and your feet shod with the preparation of the Gospel of peace; above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God: praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance, and supplication for all saints; and for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the Gospel, for which I am an ambassador in bonds; that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 4. 46.

THERE was a certain nobleman, whose son was sick at Capernaum. When he heard that Jesus was come out of Judæa

into Galilee, he went unto him, and besought him that he would come down and heal his son; for he was at the point of death. Then said Jesus unto him, Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe. The nobleman saith unto him, Sir, come down ere my child die. Jesus saith unto him, Go thy way, thy son liveth. And the man believed the word that Jesus had spoken unto him, and he went his way. And, as he was now going down, his servants met him, and told him, saying, Thy son liveth. Then enquired he of them the hour when he began to amend: and they said unto him, Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him. So the father knew that it was at the same hour, in the which Jesus said unto him, Thy son liveth; and himself believed, and his whole house. This is again the second miracle that Jesus did, when he was come out of Judæa into Galilee.

THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

LORD, we beseech thee to keep thy household the Church in continual godliness; that through thy protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly given to serve thee in good works, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

22ND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE EPISTLE. Philippians 1. 3.

I THANK my God upon every remembrance of you, (always in every prayer of mine for you all making request with joy,) for your fellowship in the Gospel from the first day until now; being confident of this very thing, that he who hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ; even as it is meet for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart, inasmuch as both in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation of the Gospel, ye all are partakers of my grace. For God is my record, how greatly I long after you all in the bowels of Jesus Christ. And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge, and in all judgement: that ye may approve things that are excellent, that ye may be sincere, and without offence, till the day of Christ: being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 18. 21.

PETER said unto Jesus, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times? Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, until seven times; but until seventy times seven. Therefore is the Kingdom of heaven likened unto a certain king, which would take account of his servants. And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him, which

owed him ten thousand talents. But forasmuch as he had not to pay, his lord commanded him to be sold, and his wife and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made. The servant therefore fell down and worshipped him, saying, Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all. Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt. But the same servant went out, and found one of his fellow-servants, which owed him an hundred pence; and he laid hands on him, and took him by the throat, saying, Pay me that thou owest. And his fellow-servant fell down at his feet, and besought him, saying, Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all. And he would not; but went and cast him into prison, till he should pay the debt. So when his fellow-servants saw what was done, they were very sorry, and came and told unto their lord all that was done. Then his lord, after that he had called him, said unto him, O thou wicked servant, I forgave thee all that debt, because thou desiredst me: shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellow-servant, even as I had pity on thee? And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him. So likewise shall my heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.

THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all godliness; Be ready, we beseech thee, to hear the devout prayers of thy Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Philippians 3. 17.

BRETHREN, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample. (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ; whose end is destruction, whose god is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.) For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ; who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 22. 15.

THEN went the Pharisees and took counsel how they might entangle him in his talk. And they sent out unto him their disciples, with the Herodians, saying, Master, we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest thou for any man: for thou regardest not the person of men. Tell us therefore,

what thinkest thou? Is it lawful to give tribute unto Cæsar, or not? But Jesus perceived their wickedness, and said, Why tempt ye me, ye hypocrites? shew me the tribute-money. And they brought unto him a penny. And he saith unto them, Whose is this image and superscription? They say unto him, Cæsar's. Then saith he unto them, Render therefore unto Cæsar the things which are Cæsar's; and unto God the things that are God's. When they had heard these words, they marvelled, and left him, and went their way.

THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT

O LORD, we beseech thee, absolve thy people from their offences; that through thy bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have committed: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Colossians 1. 3.

WE give thanks to God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you, since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus, and of the love which ye have to all the saints; for the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of the truth of the Gospel; which is come unto you, as it is in all the world, and bringeth forth fruit, as it doth

also in you, since the day ye heard of it, and knew the grace of God in truth. As ye also learned of Epaphras, our dear fellow-servant, who is for you a faithful minister of Christ; who also declared unto us your love in the Spirit. For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding: that ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and long-suffering with joyfulness; giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 9. 18.

WHILE Jesus spake these things unto John's disciples, behold, there came a certain ruler, and worshipped him, saying, My daughter is even now dead; but come and lay thy hand upon her, and she shall live. And Jesus arose, and followed him, and so did his disciples. (And behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind him, and touched the hem of his garment; for she said within herself, If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole. But Jesus turned him about, and, when he saw her, he said, Daughter, be of good comfort, thy faith hath made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour.) And when

Jesus came into the ruler's house, and saw the minstrels and the people making a noise, he said unto them, Give place; for the maid is not dead, but sleepeth. And they laughed him to scorn. But when the people were put forth, he went in, and took her by the hand, and the maid arose. And the fame hereof went abroad into all that land.

THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE COLLECT.

STIR up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of thee be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Jeremiah 23. 5.

BEHOLD, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign, and prosper, and shall execute judgement and justice in the earth. In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is his Name whereby he shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS. Therefore behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that they shall no more say, The Lord liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; but, The Lord liveth, which brought up, and which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north-country, and from all countries whither I had driven them; and they shall dwell in their own land.

25TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 6. 5.

WHEN Jesus then lift up his eyes, and saw a great company come unto him, he saith unto Philip, Whence shall we buy bread that these may eat? (And this he said to prove him; for he himself knew what he would do.) Philip answered him, Two hundred penny-worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little. One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, saith unto him, There is a lad here, which hath five barley-loaves, and two small fishes; but what are they among so many? And Jesus said, Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves, and, when he had given thanks, he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down, and likewise of the fishes, as much as they would. When they were filled, he said unto his disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost. Therefore they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley-loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten. Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth that Prophet that should come into the world.

¶ *If there be any more Sundays before Advent-Sunday, the Service of some of those Sundays that were omitted after the Epiphany shall be taken in to supply so many as are here wanting. And if there be fewer, the overplus may be omitted: Provided that this last Collect, Epistle, and Gospel shall always be used upon the Sunday next before Advent.*

SAINT ANDREW'S DAY.*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who didst give such grace unto thy holy Apostle Saint Andrew, that he readily obeyed the calling of thy Son Jesus Christ, and followed him without delay; Grant unto us all, that we, being called by thy holy Word, may forthwith give up ourselves obediently to fulfil thy holy commandments; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Romans 10. 9.

IF thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the Scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed. For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him. For whosoever shall call upon the Name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on him, in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in him, of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach, except they be sent? As it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the Gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things! But they

have not all obeyed the Gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report? So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God. But I say, Have they not heard? Yes verily, their sound went into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world. But I say, Did not Israel know? First Moses saith, I will provoke you to jealousy by them that are no people, and by a foolish nation I will anger you. But Esaias is very bold, and saith, I was found of them that sought me not; I was made manifest unto them that asked not after me. But to Israel he saith, All day long I have stretched forth my hands unto a disobedient and gainsaying people.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 4. 18.

JESUS, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, (for they were fishers;) and he saith unto them, Follow me; and I will make you fishers of men. And they straightway left their nets, and followed him. And going on from thence he saw other two brethren, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and he called them. And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him.

SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE.*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who for the more confirmation of the faith didst suffer thy holy Apostle Thomas to be doubtful in thy Son's resurrection; Grant us so perfectly, and without all doubt, to believe in thy Son Jesus Christ, that our faith in thy sight may never be reproved. Hear us, O Lord, through the same Jesus Christ, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, now and for evermore. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Ephesians 2. 19.

NOW therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow-citizens with the saints, and of the household of God; and are built upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner-stone; in whom all the building, fitly framed together, groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord; in whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God, through the Spirit.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 20. 24.

THOMAS, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and

thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe. And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you. Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side; and be not faithless, but believing. And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord, and my God. Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed; blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed. And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his Name.

THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL.*

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, who, through the preaching of the blessed Apostle Saint Paul, hast caused the light of the Gospel to shine throughout the world; Grant, we beseech thee, that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may shew forth our thankfulness unto thee for the same, by following the holy doctrine which he taught; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL.

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 9. 1.

AND Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest, and desired of him letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that, if he found any of this way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem. And, as he journeyed, he came near Damascus, and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven. And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks. And he, trembling and astonished, said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do. And the men which journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice, but seeing no man. And Saul arose from the earth, and when his eyes were opened he saw no man; but they led him by the hand, and brought him into Damascus. And he was three days without sight, and neither did eat nor drink. And there was a certain disciple at Damascus, named Ananias, and to him said the Lord in a vision, Ananias. And he said, Behold, I am here, Lord. And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the street which is called Straight, and enquire in the house of Judas for one called Saul, of Tarsus: for behold, he prayeth, and

hath seen in a vision a man named Ananias, coming in, and putting his hand on him, that he might receive his sight. Then Ananias answered, Lord, I have heard by many of this man, how much evil he hath done to thy saints at Jerusalem; and here he hath authority from the chief priests to bind all that call on thy Name. But the Lord said unto him, Go thy way; for he is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my Name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel: for I will shew him how great things he must suffer for my Name's sake. And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and, putting his hands on him, said, Brother Saul, the Lord, (even Jesus that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest,) hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the holy Ghost. And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales; and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized. And when he had received meat, he was strengthened. Then was Saul certain days with the disciples which were at Damascus. And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God. But all that heard him were amazed, and said, Is not this he that destroyed them which called on this Name in Jerusalem, and came hither for that intent, that he might bring them bound unto the chief priests? But Saul increased the more in strength, and confounded the Jews which dwelt at Damascus, proving that this is very Christ.

PURIFICATION OF SAINT MARY.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 19. 27.

PETER answered and said unto Jesus, Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed thee; what shall we have therefore? And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my Name's sake, shall receive an hundred-fold, and shall inherit everlasting life. But many that are first shall be last, and the last shall be first.

The Presentation of Christ in the Temple, commonly called,

THE PURIFICATION OF SAINT MARY THE VIRGIN.*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we humbly beseech thy Majesty, that, as thy only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple in substance of our flesh, so we may be presented unto thee with pure and clean hearts, by the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Malachi 3. 1.

BEHOLD, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly

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come to his temple; even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in; behold, he shall come, saith the Lord of hosts. But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he is like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' soap. And he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver; and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the Lord an offering in righteousness. Then shall the offerings of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto the Lord, as in the days of old, and as in former years. And I will come near to you to judgement, and I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, and against the adulterers, and against false-swearers, and against those that oppress the hireling in his wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and that turn aside the stranger from his right, and fear not me, saith the Lord of hosts.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 2. 22.

AND when the days of her purification, according to the Law of Moses, were accomplished, they brought him to Jerusalem, to present him to the Lord; (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, Every male that openeth the womb shall be called holy to the Lord;) and to offer a sacrifice, according to that which is said in the Law of the Lord, A pair of turtle-doves, or two young pigeons. And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon; and the same man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy

Ghost was upon him. And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ. And he came by the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him after the custom of the Law, then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said, Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word: for mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; a light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel. And Joseph and his mother marvelled at those things which were spoken of him. And Simeon blessed them, and said unto Mary his mother, Behold, this child is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel; and for a sign which shall be spoken against; (yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also;) that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed. And there was one Anna a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Aser; she was of a great age, and had lived with an husband seven years from her virginity: and she was a widow of about fourscore and four years; which departed not from the temple, but served God with fastings and prayers night and day. And she coming in that instant gave thanks likewise unto the Lord, and spake of him to all them that looked for redemption in Jerusalem. And when they had performed all things according to the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee to their own city Nazareth. And the child grew, and waxed

strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon him.

SAINT MATTHIAS'S DAY.*

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, who into the place of the traitor Judas didst choose thy faithful servant Matthias to be of the number of the twelve Apostles; Grant that thy Church, being alway preserved from false Apostles, may be ordered and guided by faithful and true pastors; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 1. 15.

IN those days Peter stood up in the midst of the disciples, and said, (the number of the names together were about an hundred and twenty,) Men and brethren, this Scripture must needs have been fulfilled, which the Holy Ghost by the mouth of David spake before concerning Judas, which was guide to them that took Jesus: for he was numbered with us, and had obtained part of this ministry. Now this man purchased a field with the reward of iniquity; and falling headlong he burst asunder in the midst, and all his bowels gushed out. And it was known unto all the dwellers at Jerusalem, insomuch as that field is called in their proper tongue, Aceldama, that is to say, The field of blood. For it is written in the book of Psalms, Let his habitation be desolate, and let no man dwell therein; and, His bishoprick let another take. Wherefore, of

these men which have companied with us all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John, unto that same day that he was taken up from us, must one be ordained to be a witness with us of his resurrection. And they appointed two, Joseph called Barsabas, who was surnamed Justus, and Matthias. And they prayed, and said, Thou, Lord, which knowest the hearts of all men, shew whether of these two thou hast chosen; that he may take part of this ministry and apostleship, from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place. And they gave forth their lots; and the lot fell upon Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven Apostles.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 11. 25.

AT that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in thy sight. All things are delivered unto me of my Father: and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him. Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.*

THE COLLECT.

WE beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts; that, as we have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his cross and passion we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Isaiah 7. 10.

MOREOVER, the Lord spake again unto Ahaz, saying, Ask thee a sign of the Lord thy God; ask it either in the depth, or in the height above. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, neither will I tempt the Lord. And he said, Hear ye now, O house of David; Is it a small thing for you to weary men, but will ye weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a Virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. Butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the evil, and choose the good.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 1. 26.

AND in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a Virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the Virgin's name was Mary. And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women.

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And when she saw him she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be. And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary; for thou hast found favour with God. And behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a Son, and shalt call his name JESUS. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David. And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end. Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man? And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. And behold, thy cousin Elisabeth, she hath also conceived a son in her old age; and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren: for with God nothing shall be impossible. And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.

SAINT MARK'S DAY.*

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast instructed thy holy Church with the heavenly doctrine of thy Evangelist Saint Mark; Give us grace, that, being not like children carried away with every blast of vain doctrine, we

may be established in the truth of thy holy Gospel; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Ephesians 4. 7.

UNTO every one of us is given grace, according to the measure of the gift of Christ. Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.) And he gave some Apostles, and some Prophets, and some Evangelists, and some Pastors and Teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ; till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ; that we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; but speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: from whom the whole body fitly joined together, and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body, unto the edifying of itself in love.

St. PHILIP AND St. JAMES'S DAY.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 15. 1.

I AM the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman. Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away; and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit. Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. I am the vine, ye are the branches. He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit; for without me ye can do nothing. If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned. If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples. As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love. If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love. These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full.

St. PHILIP AND St. JAMES'S DAY.*

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, whom truly to know is everlasting life; Grant us perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to

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be the way, the truth, and the life; that, following the steps of thy holy Apostles, Saint Philip and Saint James, we may stedfastly walk in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. St. James 1. 1.

JAMES, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad, greeting. My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing. If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not, and it shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering; for he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea, driven with the wind, and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord. A double-minded man is unstable in all his ways. Let the brother of low degree rejoice in that he is exalted; but the rich in that he is made low; because as the flower of the grass he shall pass away. For the sun is no sooner risen with a burning heat, but it withereth the grass, and the flower thereof falleth, and the grace of the fashion of it perisheth: so also shall the rich man fade away in his ways. Blessed is the man that endureth temptation; for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which

the Lord hath promised to them that love him.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 14. 1.

AND Jesus said unto his disciples, Let not your heart be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you: and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself, that where I am, there ye may be also. And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know. Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest, and how can we know the way? Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father but by me. If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him. Philip saith unto him, Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us. Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? He that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father? Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? The words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself; but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works. Believe me, that I am in the Father, and the Father in me; or else believe me for the very works' sake. Verily, verily I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also;

and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. And whatsoever ye shall ask in my Name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask any thing in my Name, I will do it.

SAINT BARNABAS THE APOSTLE.*

THE COLLECT.

O LORD God Almighty, who didst endue thy holy Apostle Barnabas with singular gifts of the Holy Ghost; Leave us not, we beseech thee, destitute of thy manifold gifts, nor yet of grace to use them alway to thy honour and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 11. 22.

TIDINGS of these things came unto the ears of the Church which was in Jerusalem; and they sent forth Barnabas, that he should go as far as Antioch. Who, when he came, and had seen the grace of God, was glad; and exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart they would cleave unto the Lord. For he was a good man, and full of the holy Ghost, and of faith: and much people was added unto the Lord. Then departed Barnabas to Tarsus, for to seek Saul. And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the Church, and taught much people: and the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch. And in these days came pro-

phets from Jerusalem unto Antioch. And there stood up one of them named Agabus, and signified by the Spirit, that there should be great dearth throughout all the world; which came to pass in the days of Claudius Cæsar. Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judæa. Which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 15. 12.

THIS is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you. Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you. Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my Name, he may give it you.

SAINT JOHN BAPTIST'S DAY.*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, by whose providence thy servant John Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way of

thy Son our Saviour, by preaching of repentance; Make us so to follow his doctrine and holy life, that we may truly repent according to his preaching; and after his example constantly speak the truth, boldly rebuke vice, and patiently suffer for the truth's sake; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Isaiah 40. 1.

COMFORT ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, That her warfare is accomplished; that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the Lord's hand double for all her sins. The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a high-way for our God. Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain. And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it. The voice said, Cry. And he said, What shall I cry? All flesh is grass, and all the goodliness thereof is as the flower of the field. The grass withereth, the flower fadeth, because the Spirit of the Lord bloweth upon it: surely the people is grass. The grass withereth, the flower fadeth; but the word of our God shall stand for ever. O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain: O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid: say unto

the cities of Judah, Behold your God. Behold, the Lord God will come with strong hand, and his arm shall rule for him: behold, his reward is with him, and his work before him. He shall feed his flock like a shepherd; he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 1. 57.

ELISABETH'S full time came that she should be delivered; and she brought forth a son. And her neighbours and her cousins heard how the Lord had shewed great mercy upon her; and they rejoiced with her. And it came to pass, that on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child; and they called him Zacharias, after the name of his father. And his mother answered and said, Not so; but he shall be called John. And they said unto her, There is none of thy kindred that is called by this name. And they made signs to his father, how he would have him called. And he asked for a writing-table, and wrote, saying, His name is John. And they marvelled all. And his mouth was opened immediately, and his tongue loosed, and he spake, and praised God. And fear came on all that dwelt round about them; and all these sayings were noised abroad throughout all the hill-country of Judæa. And all they that had heard them laid them up in their hearts, saying, What manner of child shall this be? And the hand of the Lord was with him. And his father Zacharias was filled with the holy Ghost,

and prophesied, saying, Blessed be the Lord God of Israel: for he hath visited and redeemed his people, and hath raised up an horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David; as he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, which have been since the world began; that we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us; to perform the mercy promised to our fathers, and to remember his holy covenant; the oath which he sware to our father Abraham, that he would grant unto us, that we, being delivered out of the hands of our enemies, might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him all the days of our life. And thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways; to give knowledge of salvation unto his people, by the remission of their sins, through the tender mercy of our God, whereby the day-spring from on high hath visited us; to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace. And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit; and was in the deserts till the day of his shewing unto Israel.

SAINT PETER'S DAY.*

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst give to thy Apostle Saint Peter many excellent gifts, and commandedst him earnestly to feed thy flock;

Make, we beseech thee, all Bishops and Pastors diligently to preach thy holy Word, and the people obediently to follow the same, that they may receive the crown of everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 12. 1.

ABOUT that time Herod the king stretched forth his hands to vex certain of the Church. And he killed James the brother of John with the sword. And, because he saw it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to take Peter also. (Then were the days of unleavened bread.) And when he had apprehended him, he put him in prison, and delivered him to four quaternions of soldiers to keep him, intending after Easter to bring him forth to the people. Peter therefore was kept in prison; but prayer was made without ceasing of the Church unto God for him. And when Herod would have brought him forth, the same night Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains; and the keepers before the door kept the prison. And behold, the angel of the Lord came upon him, and a light shined in the prison; and he smote Peter on the side, and raised him up, saying, Arise up quickly. And his chains fell off from his hands. And the angel said unto him, Gird thyself, and bind on thy sandals: and so he did. And he saith unto him, Cast thy garment about thee, and follow me. And he went out and followed him; and wist not that it was true which was done by the angel;

but thought he saw a vision. When they were past the first and the second ward, they came unto the iron gate that leadeth unto the city, which opened to them of his own accord; and they went out, and passed on through one street, and forthwith the angel departed from him. And when Peter was come to himself, he said, Now I know of a surety, that the Lord hath sent his angel, and hath delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 16. 13.

WHEN Jesus came into the coasts of Cæsarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I, the Son of man, am? And they said, Some say that thou art John the Baptist, some Elias, and others Jeremias, or one of the prophets. He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-jona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven. And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE.*

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, O merciful God, that as thine holy Apostle Saint James, leaving his father and all that he had, without delay was obedient unto the calling of thy Son Jesus Christ, and followed him; so we, forsaking all worldly and carnal affections, may be evermore ready to follow thy holy commandments; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 11. 27, and part of Chapter 12.

IN those days came prophets from Jerusalem unto Antioch. And there stood up one of them named Agabus, and signified by the Spirit, that there should be great dearth throughout all the world; which came to pass in the days of Claudius Cæsar. Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judæa. Which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul. Now about that time Herod the king stretched forth his hands to vex certain of the Church. And he killed James the brother of John with the sword. And, because he saw it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to take Peter also.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 20. 20.

THEN came to him the mother of Zebedee's children with her sons, worshipping him, and desiring a certain thing of him. And he said unto her, What wilt thou? She saith unto him, Grant that

these my two sons may sit, the one on thy right hand, and the other on the left, in thy kingdom. But Jesus answered and said, Ye know not what ye ask. Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? They say unto him, We are able. And he saith unto them, Ye shall drink indeed of my cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with: but to sit on my right hand, and on my left, is not mine to give; but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of my Father. And when the ten heard it, they were moved with indignation against the two brethren. But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them. But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister; and whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant: even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW THE APOSTLE.*

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who didst give to thine Apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach thy Word; Grant, we beseech thee, unto thy Church, to love that Word which he believed, and both to preach and receive the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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ST. BARTHOLOMEW THE APOSTLE.

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 5. 12.

BY the hands of the Apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people: (and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch: and of the rest durst no man join himself to them: but the people magnified them: and believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women:) insomuch that they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches, that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them. There came also a multitude out of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks, and them which were vexed with unclean spirits; and they were healed every one.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 22. 24.

AND there was also a strife among them, which of them should be accounted the greatest. And he said unto them, The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and they that exercise authority upon them are called benefactors. But ye shall not be so: but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve. For whether is greater, he that sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? is not he that sitteth at meat? but I am among you as he that serveth. Ye are they which have continued with me in my temptations. And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me; that ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom,

and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

SAINT MATTHEW THE APOSTLE.*

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, who by thy blessed Son didst call Matthew from the receipt of custom to be an Apostle and Evangelist; Grant us grace to forsake all covetous desires, and inordinate love of riches, and to follow the same thy Son Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 2 Corinthians 4. 1.

THEREFORE seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not; but have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the Word of God deceitfully, but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God. But if our Gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: in whom the God of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious Gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them. For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God, in the face of Jesus Christ.

St. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 9. 9.

AND as Jesus passed forth from thence, he saw a man named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he saith unto him, Follow me. And he arose, and followed him. And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many Publicans and sinners came, and sat down with him and his disciples. And when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto his disciples, Why eateth your Master with Publicans and sinners? But when Jesus heard that, he said unto them, They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick. But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice; for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

SAINT MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.*

THE COLLECT.

O EVERLASTING God, who hast ordained and constituted the services of Angels and men in a wonderful order; Mercifully grant, that as thy holy Angels alway do thee service in heaven, so by thy appointment they may succour and defend us on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Revelation 12. 7.

THERE was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon fought and his angels; and

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prevailed not, neither was their place found any more in heaven. And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the devil and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world; he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death. Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabiters of the earth, and of the sea: for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 18. 1.

AT the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, Who is the greatest in the Kingdom of heaven? And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them, and said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the Kingdom of heaven. Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the Kingdom of heaven. And whoso shall receive one such little child in my Name, receiveth me. But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he

were drowned in the depth of the sea. Woe unto the world because of offences: for it must needs be that offences come: but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh. Wherefore if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut them off, and cast them from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life halt or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet to be cast into everlasting fire. And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes to be cast into hell-fire. Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.

SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST.*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who calledst Luke the Physician, whose praise is in the Gospel, to be an Evangelist, and Physician of the soul; May it please thee, that, by the wholesome medicines of the doctrine delivered by him, all the diseases of our souls may be healed; through the merits of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 2 Timothy 4. 5.

WATCH thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an Evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry. For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good

fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing. Do thy diligence to come shortly unto me: for Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Take Mark and bring him with thee: for he is profitable to me for the ministry. And Tychicus have I sent to Ephesus. The cloke that I left at Troas with Carpus, when thou comest, bring with thee; and the books, but especially the parchments. Alexander the copper-smith did me much evil: the Lord reward him according to his works. Of whom be thou ware also, for he hath greatly withstood our words.

THE GOSPEL. St. Luke 10. 1.

THE Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them two and two before his face into every city and place whither he himself would come. Therefore said he unto them, The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest. Go your ways; behold, I send you forth as lambs among wolves. Carry neither purse, nor scrip, nor shoes, and salute no man by the way. And into whatsoever house ye enter, first say, Peace be to this house. And if the son of

peace be there, your peace shall rest upon it: if not, it shall turn to you again. And in the same house remain, eating and drinking such things as they give: for the labourer is worthy of his hire.

SAINT SIMON AND SAINT JUDE, APOSTLES.*

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast built thy Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the head corner-stone; Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made an holy temple acceptable unto thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. St. Jude 1.

JUDE, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to them that are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ, and called: Mercy unto you, and peace, and love be multiplied. Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you, that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation; ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord

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Jesus Christ. I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not. And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgement of the great day. Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire. Likewise also these filthy dreamers defile the flesh, despise dominion, and speak evil of dignities.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 15. 17.

THESE things I command you, that ye love one another. If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you. Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than the lord: if they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep your's also. But all these things will they do unto you for my Name's sake, because they know not him that sent me. If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no cloke for their sin. He that hateth me hateth my Father also. If I had not done

among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin; but now have they both seen, and hated both me and my Father. But this cometh to pass, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, They hated me without a cause. But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me. And ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning.

ALL SAINTS' DAY.*

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord; Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys, which thou hast prepared for them that unfeignedly love thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Revelation 7. 2.

AND I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God; and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth, and the sea, saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their

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foreheads. And I heard the number of them which were sealed; and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand, of all the tribes of the children of Israel.

Of the tribe of Juda were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Reuben were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Gad were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Aser were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Nephthali were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Manasses were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Simeon were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Levi were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Issachar were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Zabulon were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Joseph were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Benjamin were sealed twelve thousand.

After this I beheld, and lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; and cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. And

all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders, and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, saying, Amen; Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.

THE GOSPEL. St. Matthew 5. 1.

JESUS, seeing the multitudes, went up into a mountain; and when he was set, his disciples came unto him. And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying, Blessed are the poor in spirit: for their's is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God. Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for their's is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad; for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

THE ORDER OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER, OR

HOLY COMMUNION.

¶ *SO many as intend to be partakers of the holy Communion shall signify their names to the Curate, at least some time the day before.*

¶ *And if any of those be an open and notorious evil liver, or have done any wrong to his neighbours by word or deed, so that the Congregation be thereby offended; the Curate, having knowledge thereof, shall call him and advertise him, that in any wise he presume not to come to the Lord's Table, until he have openly declared himself to have truly repented and amended his former naughty life, that the Congregation may thereby be satisfied, which before were offended; and that he have recompensed the parties, to whom he hath done wrong; or at least declare himself to be in full purpose so to do, as soon as he conveniently may.*

¶ *The same order shall the Curate use with those betwixt whom he perceiveth malice and hatred to reign; not suffering them to be partakers of the Lord's Table, until he know them to be reconciled. And if one of the parties so at variance be content to forgive from the bottom of his heart all that the other hath trespassed against him, and to make amends for that he himself hath offended; and the other party will not be persuaded to a godly unity, but remain still in his frowardness and malice: the Minister in that case ought to admit the penitent person to the holy Communion, and not him that is obstinate. Provided that every Minister so repelling any, as is specified in this, or the next precedent Paragraph of this Rubrick, shall be obliged to give an account of the same to the Ordinary within fourteen days after at the farthest. And the Ordinary shall proceed against the offending person according to the Canon.*

¶ *The Table, at the Communion-time having a fair white linen cloth upon it, shall stand in the Body of the Church, or in the Chancel, where Morning and Evening Prayer are appointed to be said. And the Priest standing at the north side of the Table shall say the Lord's Prayer, with the Collect following, the people kneeling.*

THE COMMUNION.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest, turning to the people, rehearse distinctly all the TEN COMMANDMENTS; and the people still kneeling shall, after every Commandment, ask God mercy for their transgression thereof for the time past, and grace to keep the same for the time to come, as followeth.*

Minister.

GOD spake these words, and said; I am the Lord thy God: Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me, and shew

mercy unto thousands in them that love me, and keep my commandments.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless, that taketh his Name in vain.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath-day. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all that thou hast to do; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, thy cattle, and the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Honour thy father and thy mother; that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt do no murder.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not commit adultery.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not steal.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is his.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

¶ *Then shall follow one of these two Collects for the Queen, the Priest standing as before, and saying,*

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, whose kingdom is everlasting, and power infinite; Have mercy upon the whole Church; and so rule the heart of thy chosen Servant *ELIZABETH*, our Queen and Governor, that she (knowing whose minister she is) may above all things seek thy honour and glory: and that we, and all her subjects (duly considering whose authority she hath) may faithfully serve, honour, and humbly obey her, in thee, and for thee, according to thy blessed Word and ordinance; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Or,

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, we are taught by thy holy Word, that the hearts of Kings are in thy rule and govern-

ance, and that thou dost dispose and turn them as it seemeth best to thy godly wisdom: We humbly beseech thee so to dispose and govern the heart of *ELIZABETH* thy Servant, our Queen and Governor, that, in all her thoughts, words, and works, she may ever seek thy honour and glory, and study to preserve thy people committed to her charge, in wealth, peace, and godliness; Grant this, O merciful Father, for thy dear Son's sake, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall be said the Collect of the Day. And immediately after the Collect the Priest shall read the Epistle, saying,* The Epistle [*or,* The portion of Scripture appointed for the Epistle] is written in the —— Chapter of —— beginning at the —— Verse. *And the Epistle ended, he shall say,* Here endeth the Epistle. *Then shall he read the Gospel (the people all standing up) saying,* The holy Gospel is written in the —— Chapter of —— beginning at the —— Verse. *And the Gospel ended, shall be sung or said the Creed following, the people still standing, as before.*

I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made: Who for us men, and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand

of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and giver of life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one Catholick and Apostolick Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

¶ *Then the Curate shall declare unto the people what Holy-days, or Fasting-days, are in the Week following to be observed. And then also (if occasion be) shall notice be given of the Communion; and Briefs, Citations, and Excommunications read. And nothing shall be proclaimed or published in the Church, during the time of Divine Service, but by the Minister: nor by him any thing, but what is prescribed in the Rules of this Book, or enjoined by the Queen, or by the Ordinary of the place.*

¶ *Then shall follow the Sermon, or one of the Homilies already set forth, or hereafter to be set forth, by authority.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest return to the Lord's Table, and begin the Offertory, saying one or more of these Sentences following, as he thinketh most convenient in his discretion.*

LET your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. *St. Matthew* 5.

Lay not up for yourselves treasure upon the earth; where the rust and moth doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven; where neither rust nor moth doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through and steal. *St. Matthew* 6.

Whatsoever ye would that men should do

unto you, even so do unto them; for this is the Law and the Prophets. *St. Matthew* 7.

Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the Kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. *St. Matthew* 7.

Zacchæus stood forth, and said unto the Lord, Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor and if I have done any wrong to any man, I restore four-fold. *St. Luke* 19.

Who goeth a warfare at any time of his own cost? Who planteth a vineyard, and eateth not of the fruit thereof? Or who feedeth a flock, and eateth not of the milk of the flock? 1 *Corinthians* 9.

If we have sown unto you spiritual things, is it a great matter if we shall reap your worldly things? 1 *Corinthians* 9.

Do ye not know, that they who minister about holy things live of the sacrifice; and they who wait at the altar are partakers with the altar? Even so hath the Lord also ordained, that they who preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel. 1 *Corinthians* 9.

He that soweth little shall reap little; and he that soweth plenteously shall reap plenteously. Let every man do according as he is disposed in his heart, not grudging, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver. 2 *Corinthians* 9.

Let him that is taught in the Word minister unto him that teacheth, in all good things. Be not deceived, God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth that shall he reap. *Galatians* 6.

While we have time, let us do good unto all men; and specially unto them that are of the household of faith. *Galatians* 6.

Godliness is great riches, if a man be content with that he hath: for we brought nothing into the world, neither may we carry any thing out. 1 *Timothy* 6.

Charge them who are rich in this world, that they be ready to give, and glad to distribute; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may attain eternal life. 1 *Timothy* 6.

God is not unrighteous, that he will forget your works, and labour that proceedeth of love; which love ye have shewed for his Name's sake, who have ministered unto the saints, and yet do minister. *Hebrews* 6.

To do good, and to distribute, forget not; for with such sacrifices God is pleased. *Hebrews* 13.

Whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him? 1 *St John* 3.

Give alms of thy goods, and never turn thy face from any poor man; and then the face of the Lord shall not be turned away from thee. *Tobit* 4.

Be merciful after thy power. If thou hast much, give plenteously: if thou hast little, do thy diligence gladly to give of that little: for so gatherest thou thyself a good reward in the day of necessity. *Tobit* 4.

He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the Lord: and look, what he layeth out, it shall be paid him again. *Proverbs* 19.

THE COMMUNION.

Blessed be the man that provideth for the sick and needy: the Lord shall deliver him in the time of trouble. *Psalm* 41.

¶ *Whilst these Sentences are in reading, the Deacons, Churchwardens, or other fit person appointed for that purpose, shall receive the Alms for the Poor, and other devotions of the people, in a decent bason to be provided by the Parish for that purpose; and reverently bring it to the Priest, who shall humbly present and place it upon the holy Table.*

¶ *And when there is a Communion, the Priest shall then place upon the Table so much Bread and Wine, as he shall think sufficient. After which done, the Priest shall say,*

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks, for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully [* *to accept our alms and oblations, and*] to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant, that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity, and godly love. We beseech thee also to save and defend all Christian Kings, Princes, and Governors; and specially thy Servant *ELIZABETH* our Queen; that under her we may be godly and quietly governed: And grant unto her whole Council, and to all that are put in authority under her, that they may truly and indifferently minister justice, to the

* *If there be no alms or oblations, then shall the words* [of accepting our alms and oblations] *be left out unsaid.*

punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue. Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and Curates, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments: And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace; and specially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom: Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

¶ *When the Minister giveth warning for the celebration of the holy Communion, (which he shall always do upon the Sunday, or some Holy-day, immediately preceding,) after the Sermon or Homily ended, he shall read this Exhortation following.*

DEARLY beloved, on —— day next I purpose, through God's assistance, to administer to all such as shall be religiously and devoutly disposed the most comfortable Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ; to be by them received in remembrance of his meritorious Cross and Passion; whereby alone we obtain remission of our sins, and

are made partakers of the Kingdom of heaven. Wherefore it is our duty to render most humble and hearty thanks to Almighty God our heavenly Father, for that he hath given his Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, not only to die for us, but also to be our spiritual food and sustenance in that holy Sacrament. Which being so divine and comfortable a thing to them who receive it worthily, and so dangerous to them that will presume to receive it unworthily; my duty is to exhort you in the mean season to consider the dignity of that holy mystery, and the great peril of the unworthy receiving thereof; and so to search and examine your own consciences, (and that not lightly, and after the manner of dissemblers with God; but so) that ye may come holy and clean to such a heavenly Feast, in the marriage-garment required by God in holy Scripture, and be received as worthy partakers of that holy Table.

The way and means thereto is; First, to examine your lives and conversations by the rule of God's commandments; and wherein-soever ye shall perceive yourselves to have offended, either by will, word, or deed, there to bewail your own sinfulness, and to confess yourselves to Almighty God, with full purpose of amendment of life. And if ye shall perceive your offences to be such as are not only against God, but also against your neighbours; then ye shall reconcile yourselves unto them; being ready to make restitution and satisfaction, according to the uttermost of your powers, for all injuries and wrongs done by you to any other; and being

likewise ready to forgive others that have offended you, as ye would have forgiveness of your offences at God's hand: for otherwise the receiving of the holy Communion doth nothing else but increase your damnation. Therefore if any of you be a blasphemer of God, an hinderer or slanderer of his Word, an adulterer, or be in malice, or envy, or in any other grievous crime, repent you of your sins, or else come not to that holy Table; lest, after the taking of that holy Sacrament, the devil enter into you, as he entered into Judas, and fill you full of all iniquities, and bring you to destruction both of body and soul.

And because it is requisite, that no man should come to the holy Communion, but with a full trust in God's mercy, and with a quiet conscience; therefore if there be any of you, who by this means cannot quiet his own conscience herein, but requireth further comfort or counsel, let him come to me, or to some other discreet and learned Minister of God's Word, and open his grief; that by the ministry of God's holy Word he may receive the benefit of absolution, together with ghostly counsel and advice, to the quieting of his conscience, and avoiding of all scruple and doubtfulness.

¶ *Or, in case he shall see the people negligent to come to the holy Communion, instead of the former, he shall use this Exhortation.*

DEARLY beloved brethren, on —— I intend, by God's grace, to celebrate the Lord's Supper: unto which, in God's behalf, I bid you all that are here present: and be-

seech you, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, that ye will not refuse to come thereto, being so lovingly called and bidden by God himself. Ye know how grievous and unkind a thing it is, when a man hath prepared a rich feast, decked his table with all kind of provision, so that there lacketh nothing but the guests to sit down; and yet they who are called (without any cause) most unthankfully refuse to come. Which of you in such a case would not be moved? Who would not think a great injury and wrong done unto him? Wherefore, most dearly beloved in Christ, take ye good heed, lest ye, withdrawing yourselves from this holy Supper, provoke God's indignation against you. It is an easy matter for a man to say, I will not communicate, because I am otherwise hindered with worldly business. But such excuses are not so easily accepted and allowed before God. If any man say, I am a grievous sinner, and therefore am afraid to come: wherefore then do ye not repent and amend? When God calleth you, are ye not ashamed to say ye will not come? When ye should return to God, will ye excuse yourselves, and say ye are not ready? Consider earnestly with yourselves how little such feigned excuses will avail before God. They that refused the feast in the Gospel, because they had bought a farm, or would try their yokes of oxen, or because they were married, were not so excused, but counted unworthy of the heavenly feast. I, for my part, shall be ready; and, according to mine Office, I bid you in the Name of God,

I call you in Christ's behalf, I exhort you, as ye love your own salvation, that ye will be partakers of this holy Communion. And as the Son of God did vouchsafe to yield up his soul by death upon the Cross for your salvation; so it is your duty to receive the Communion in remembrance of the sacrifice of his death, as he himself hath commanded: which if ye shall neglect to do, consider with yourselves how great injury ye do unto God, and how sore punishment hangeth over your heads for the same; when ye wilfully abstain from the Lord's Table, and separate from your brethren, who come to feed on the banquet of that most heavenly food. These things if ye earnestly consider, ye will by God's grace return to a better mind: for the obtaining whereof we shall not cease to make our humble petitions unto Almighty God our heavenly Father.

¶ *At the time of the celebration of the Communion, the Communicants being conveniently placed for the receiving of the holy Sacrament, the Priest shall say this Exhortation.*

DEARLY beloved in the Lord, ye that mind to come to the holy Communion of the Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ, must consider how Saint Paul exhorteth all persons diligently to try and examine themselves, before they presume to eat of that Bread, and drink of that Cup. For as the benefit is great, if with a true penitent heart and lively faith we receive that holy Sacrament; (for then we spiritually eat the flesh of Christ, and drink his blood; then we dwell in Christ, and Christ in us; we are one with Christ, and Christ with us;)

so is the danger great, if we receive the same unworthily. For then we are guilty of the Body and Blood of Christ our Saviour; we eat and drink our own damnation, not considering the Lord's Body; we kindle God's wrath against us; we provoke him to plague us with divers diseases, and sundry kinds of death. Judge therefore yourselves, brethren, that ye be not judged of the Lord; repent you truly for your sins past; have a lively and stedfast faith in Christ our Saviour; amend your lives, and be in perfect charity with all men; so shall ye be meet partakers of those holy mysteries. And above all things ye must give most humble and hearty thanks to God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, for the redemption of the world by the death and passion of our Saviour Christ, both God and man; who did humble himself, even to the death upon the Cross, for us, miserable sinners, who lay in darkness and the shadow of death; that he might make us the children of God, and exalt us to everlasting life. And to the end that we should alway remember the exceeding great love of our Master, and only Saviour, Jesus Christ, thus dying for us, and the innumerable benefits which by his precious blood-shedding he hath obtained to us; he hath instituted and ordained holy mysteries, as pledges of his love, and for a continual remembrance of his death, to our great and endless comfort. To him therefore, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, let us give (as we are most bounden) continual thanks; submitting ourselves wholly to his

holy will and pleasure, and studying to serve him in true holiness and righteousness all the days of our life. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say to them that come to receive the holy Communion,*

YE that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

¶ *Then shall this general Confession be made, in the name of all those that are minded to receive the holy Communion, by one of the Ministers; both he and all the people kneeling humbly upon their knees, and saying,*

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the

honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Priest (or the Bishop, being present,) stand up, and turning himself to the people, pronounce this Absolution.*

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him.

COME unto me all that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *St. Matthew* 11. 28.

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *St. John* 3. 16.

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 *Timothy* 1. 15.

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins.

1 *St. John* 2. 1.

¶ *After which the Priest shall proceed, saying,*

Lift up your hearts.
Answer. We lift them up unto the Lord.
Priest. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
Answer. It is meet and right so to do.

¶ *Then shall the Priest turn to the Lord's Table, and say,*

IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, * Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

* *These words* [Holy Father] *must be omitted on* Trinity-Sunday.

¶ *Here shall follow the Proper Preface, according to the time, if there be any specially appointed: or else immediately shall follow,*

THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most High. Amen.

PROPER PREFACES.

Upon CHRISTMAS-DAY, *and seven days after.*

BECAUSE thou didst give Jesus Christ thine only Son to be born as at this time for us; who, by the operation of the Holy Ghost, was made very man of the substance of the Virgin Mary his mother; and that without spot of sin, to make us clean from all sin. Therefore with Angels, *&c.*

Upon EASTER-DAY, *and seven days after.*

BUT chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious Resurrection of thy Son

Jesus Christ our Lord: for he is the very Paschal Lamb, which was offered for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Angels, *&c.*

Upon ASCENSION-DAY, *and seven days after.*

THROUGH thy most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his most glorious Resurrection manifestly appeared to all his Apostles, and in their sight ascended up into heaven to prepare a place for us; that where he is, thither we might also ascend, and reign with him in glory. Therefore with Angels, *&c.*

Upon WHIT-SUNDAY, *and six days after.*

THROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord; according to whose most true promise, the Holy Ghost came down as at this time from heaven with a sudden great sound, as it had been a mighty wind, in the likeness of fiery tongues, lighting upon the Apostles, to teach them, and to lead them to all truth; giving them both the gift of divers languages, and also boldness with fervent zeal constantly to preach the Gospel unto all nations; whereby we have been brought out of darkness and error into the clear light and true knowledge of thee, and of thy Son Jesus Christ. Therefore with angels, *&c.*

Upon the Feast of TRINITY *only.*

WHO art one God, one Lord; not one only Person, but three Persons in one Substance. For that which we believe of

the glory of the Father, the same we believe of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, without any difference or inequality. Therefore with Angels, *&c.*

¶ *After each of which Prefaces shall immediately be sung or said,*

THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most High. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Priest, kneeling down at the Lord's Table, say in the name of all them that shall receive the Communion this Prayer following.*

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

¶ *When the Priest, standing before the Table, hath so ordered the Bread and Wine, that he may with the more readiness and decency break the Bread before the people, and take the Cup into his hands, he shall say the Prayer of Consecration, as followeth.*

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death

upon the cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again; Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood: who, in the same night that he was betrayed, [a] took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, [b] he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat, [c] this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me. Likewise after supper he [d] took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this, for this [e] is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me. *Amen.*

[a] *Here the Priest is to take the Paten into his hands:*

[b] *And here to break the Bread:*

[c] *And here to lay his hand upon all the Bread.*

[d] *Here he is to take the Cup into his hand:*

[e] *And here to lay his hand upon every vessel (be it Chalice or Flagon) in which there is any Wine to be consecrated.*

¶ *Then shall the Minister first receive the Communion in both kinds himself, and then proceed to deliver the same to the Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, in like manner, (if any be present,) and after that to the people also in order, into their hands, all meekly kneeling. And, when he delivereth the Bread to any one, he shall say,*

THE Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith with thanksgiving.

¶ *And the Minister that delivereth the Cup to any one shall say,*

THE Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

¶ *If the consecrated Bread or Wine be all spent before all have communicated, the Priest is to consecrate more according to the Form before prescribed; beginning at* [Our Saviour Christ in the same night, *&c.*] *for the blessing of the Bread; and at* [Likewise after Supper, *&c.*] *for the blessing of the Cup.*

¶ *When all have communicated, the Minister shall return to the Lord's Table, and reverently place upon it what remaineth of the consecrated Elements, covering the same with a fair linen cloth.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say the Lord's Prayer, the people repeating after him every Petition.*

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

THE COMMUNION.

¶ *After shall be said as followeth.*

O LORD and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that all we, who are partakers of this holy Communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction. And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen.*

Or this.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and

goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son. And we most humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall be said or sung,*

GLORY be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

¶ *Then the Priest (or Bishop if he be present) shall let them depart with this Blessing.*

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

¶ *Collects to be said after the Offertory, when there is no Communion, every such day one or more; and the same may be said also, as often as occasion shall serve, after the Collects either of Morning or Evening Prayer, Communion, or Litany, by the discretion of the Minister.*

ASSIST us mercifully, O Lord, in these our supplications and prayers, and dispose the way of thy servants towards the attainment of everlasting salvation; that, among all the changes and chances of this mortal life, they may ever be defended by thy most gracious and ready help; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O ALMIGHTY Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern, both our hearts and bodies, in the ways of thy laws, and in the works of thy commandments; that through thy most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that the words, which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may through thy grace be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honour and praise of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all wisdom, who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking; We beseech thee to have compassion upon our infirmities; and those things, which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us, for the worthiness of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, who hast promised to hear the petitions of them that ask in thy Son's Name: We beseech thee mercifully to incline thine ears to us that have made now our prayers and supplications unto thee; and grant, that those things, which we have faithfully asked according to thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Upon the Sundays and other Holy-days (if there be no Communion) shall be said all that is appointed at the Communion, until the end of the general Prayer* [For the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth] *together with one or more of these Collects last before rehearsed, concluding with the Blessing.*

¶ *And there shall be no celebration of the Lord's Supper, except there be a convenient number to communicate with the Priest, according to his discretion.*

¶ *And if there be not above twenty persons in the Parish of discretion to receive the Communion; yet there shall be no Communion, except four (or three at the least) communicate with the Priest.*

¶ *And in Cathedral and Collegiate Churches, and Colleges, where there are many Priests and Deacons, they shall all receive the Communion with the Priest every Sunday at the least, except they have a reasonable cause to the contrary.*

¶ *And to take away all occasion of dissension and superstition, which any person hath or might have concerning the Bread and Wine, it shall suffice that the Bread be such as is usual to be eaten; but the best and purest Wheat Bread that conveniently may be gotten.*

¶ *And if any of the Bread and Wine remain unconsecrated, the Curate shall have it to his own use: but if any remain of that which was consecrated, it shall not be carried out of the Church, but the Priest and such other of the Communicants as he shall then call unto him, shall, immediately after the Blessing, reverently eat and drink the same.*

¶ *The Bread and Wine for the Communion shall be provided by the Curate and the Church-wardens at the charges of the Parish.*

¶ *And note, that every Parishioner shall communicate at the least three times in the year, of which Easter to be one. And yearly at Easter every Parishioner shall reckon with the Parson, Vicar, or Curate, or his or their Deputy or Deputies; and pay to them or him all Ecclesiastical Duties, accustomably due, then and at that time to be paid.*

¶ *After the Divine Service ended, the money given at the Offertory shall be disposed of to such pious and charitable uses, as the Minister and Church-wardens shall think fit. Wherein if they disagree, it shall be disposed of as the Ordinary shall appoint.*

¶ *Whereas it is ordained in this Office for the Administration of the Lord's Supper, that the Communicants should receive the same kneeling; (which order is well meant, for a signification of our humble and grateful acknowledgement of the benefits of Christ therein given to all worthy Receivers, and for the avoiding of such profanation and disorder in the holy Communion, as might otherwise ensue;) yet, lest the same*

kneeling should by any persons, either out of ignorance and infirmity, or out of malice and obstinacy, be misconstrued and depraved; It is hereby declared, That thereby no adoration is intended, or ought to be done, either unto the Sacramental Bread or Wine there bodily received, or unto any Corporal Presence of Christ's natural Flesh and Blood. For the Sacramental Bread and Wine remain still in their very natural substances, and therefore may not be adored; (for that were Idolatry, to be abhorred of all faithful Christians;) and the natural Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ are in Heaven, and not here; it being against the truth of Christ's natural Body to be at one time in more places than one.

THE MINISTRATION OF PUBLICK BAPTISM OF INFANTS, TO BE USED IN THE CHURCH.

¶ *The people are to be admonished, that it is most convenient that Baptism should not be administered but upon Sundays, and other Holy-days, when the most number of people come together; as well for that the Congregation there present may testify the receiving of them that be newly baptized into the number of Christ's Church; as also because in the Baptism of Infants every Man present may be put in remembrance of his own profession made to God in his Baptism. For which cause also it is expedient that Baptism be ministered in the vulgar tongue. Nevertheless, (if necessity so require,) Children may be baptized upon any other day.*

¶ *And note, that there shall be for every Male-child to be baptized two Godfathers and one Godmother; and for every Female, one Godfather and two Godmothers.*

¶ *When there are Children to be baptized, the Parents shall give knowledge thereof over night, or in the morning before the beginning of Morning Prayer, to the Curate. And then the Godfathers and Godmothers, and the people with the Children, must be ready at the Font, either immediately after the last Lesson at Morning Prayer, or else immediately after the last Lesson at Evening Prayer, as the Curate by his discretion shall appoint. And the Priest coming to the Font, (which is then to be filled with pure Water,) and standing there, shall say*

HATH this Child been already baptized, or no?

¶ *If they answer,* No : *Then shall the Priest proceed as followeth.*

DEARLY beloved, forasmuch as all men are conceived and born in sin; and that our Saviour Christ saith, None can enter into the kingdom of God, except he be regenerate and born anew of Water and of the holy Ghost; I beseech you to call upon God the Father, through our Lord Jesus Christ, that of his bounteous mercy he will grant to *this Child* that thing which by nature *he* cannot have; that *he* may be baptized with Water and the holy Ghost, and received into Christ's holy Church, and be made *a lively member* of the same.

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who of thy great mercy didst save Noah and his family in the ark from perishing by water; and also didst safely lead the children of Israel thy people through the Red Sea, figuring thereby thy holy Baptism; and by the Baptism of thy well-beloved Son Jesus Christ, in the river Jordan, didst sanctify Water to the mystical washing away of sin; We beseech thee, for thine infinite mercies, that thou wilt mercifully look upon *this Child;* wash *him* and sanctify *him* with the holy Ghost; that *he*, being delivered from thy wrath, may be received into the ark of Christ's Church; and being stedfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in charity, may so pass the waves of this troublesome world, that finally *he* may come to the land

of everlasting life, there to reign with thee world without end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and immortal God, the aid of all that need, the helper of all that flee to thee for succour, the life of them that believe, and the resurrection of the dead; We call upon thee for *this Infant*, that *he*, coming to thy holy Baptism, may receive remission of *his* sins by spiritual regeneration. Receive *him*, O Lord, as thou hast promised by thy well-beloved Son, saying, Ask, and ye shall have; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: So give now unto us that ask; let us that seek find; open the gate unto us that knock; that *this Infant* may enjoy the everlasting benediction of thy heavenly washing, and may come to the eternal kingdom which thou hast promised by Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the people stand up, and the Priest shall say,*

Hear the words of the Gospel, written by Saint *Mark*, in the tenth Chapter, at the thirteenth Verse.

THEY brought young children to Christ, that he should touch them; and his disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child,

he shall not enter therein. And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them.

¶ *After the Gospel is read, the Minister shall make this brief Exhortation upon the words of the Gospel.*

BELOVED, ye hear in this Gospel the words of our Saviour Christ, that he commanded the children to be brought unto him; how he blamed those that would have kept them from him; how he exhorteth all men to follow their innocency. Ye perceive how by his outward gesture and deed he declared his good will toward them; for he embraced them in his arms, he laid his hands upon them, and blessed them. Doubt ye not therefore, but earnestly believe, that he will likewise favourably receive *this* present *Infant;* that he will embrace *him* with the arms of his mercy; that he will give unto *him* the blessing of eternal life, and make *him partaker* of his everlasting kingdom. Wherefore we being thus persuaded of the good will of our heavenly Father towards *this Infant*, declared by his Son Jesus Christ; and nothing doubting but that he favourably alloweth this charitable work of our's in bringing *this Infant* to his holy Baptism; let us faithfully and devoutly give thanks unto him, and say,

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, heavenly Father, we give thee humble thanks, for that thou hast vouchsafed to call us to the knowledge of thy grace, and faith in thee: Increase this knowledge, and con-

firm this faith in us evermore. Give thy holy Spirit to *this Infant*, that *he* may be born again, and be made *an heir* of everlasting salvation; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest speak unto the Godfathers and Godmothers on this wise.*

DEARLY beloved, ye have brought *this Child* here to be baptized, ye have prayed that our Lord Jesus Christ would vouchsafe to receive *him*, to release *him* of *his* sins, to sanctify *him* with the holy Ghost, to give *him* the kingdom of heaven, and everlasting life. Ye have heard also that our Lord Jesus Christ hath promised in his Gospel to grant all these things that ye have prayed for: which promise he, for his part, will most surely keep and perform. Wherefore, after this promise made by Christ, *this Infant* must also faithfully, for *his* part, promise by you that are *his* sureties, (until *he* come of age to take it upon *himself*,) that *he* will renounce the devil and all his works, and constantly believe God's holy Word, and obediently keep his commandments.

I demand therefore,

DOST thou, in the name of this Child, renounce the devil and all his works, the vain pomp and glory of the world, with all covetous desires of the same, and the carnal desires of the flesh, so that thou wilt not follow, nor be led by them?

Answer. I renounce them all.

Minister.

DOST thou believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth?

And in Jesus Christ his only-begotten Son our Lord? And that he was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; that he suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; that he went down into hell, and also did rise again the third day; that he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; and from thence shall come again at the end of the world, to judge the quick and the dead?

And dost thou believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholick Church; the Communion of Saints; the Remission of sins; the Resurrection of the flesh; and everlasting life after death?

Answer. All this I stedfastly believe.

Minister.

WILT thou be baptized in this faith?

Answer. That is my desire.

Minister.

WILT thou then obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same all the days of thy life?

Answer. I will.

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

O MERCIFUL God, grant that the old Adam in *this Child* may be so buried, that the new man may be raised up in *him. Amen.*

Grant that all carnal affections may die in *him*, and that all things belonging to the Spirit may live and grow in *him*. *Amen.*

Grant that *he* may have power and strength to have victory, and to triumph, against the devil, the world, and the flesh. *Amen.*

Grant that whosoever is here dedicated to thee by our office and ministry may also be endued with heavenly virtues, and everlastingly rewarded, through thy mercy, O blessed Lord God, who dost live, and govern all things, world without end. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY, everliving God, whose most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins, did shed out of his most precious side both water and blood; and gave commandment to his disciples, that they should go teach all nations, and baptize them In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; Regard, we beseech thee, the supplications of thy congregation; sanctify this Water to the mystical washing away of sin; and grant that *this Child*, now to be baptized therein, may receive the fulness of thy grace, and ever remain in the number of thy faithful and elect children; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Priest shall take the Child into his hands, and shall say to the Godfathers and Godmothers,*

Name this Child.

¶ *And then naming it after them (if they shall certify him that the Child may well endure it) he shall dip it in the Water discreetly and warily, saying,*

N. I baptize thee In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *But if they certify that the Child is weak, it shall suffice to pour Water upon it, saying the foresaid words,*

N. I baptize thee In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *Then the Priest shall say*

WE receive this Child into the congregation of Christ's flock, *and do sign *him* with the sign of the Cross, in token that hereafter *he* shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under his banner, against sin, the world, and the devil; and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto *his* life's end. Amen.

* *Here the Priest shall make a Cross upon the Child's forehead.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

SEEING now, dearly beloved brethren, that *this Child is* regenerate, and grafted into the body of Christ's Church, let us give thanks unto Almighty God for these benefits; and with one accord make our prayers unto him, that *this Child* may lead the rest of *his* life according to this beginning.

¶ *Then shall be said, all kneeling;*

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

WE yield thee hearty thanks, most merciful Father, that it hath pleased thee to regenerate *this Infant* with thy holy Spirit, to receive *him* for thine own *Child* by adoption, and to incorporate *him* into thy holy Church. And humbly we beseech thee to grant, that *he*, being dead unto sin, and living unto righteousness, and being buried with Christ in his death, may crucify the old man, and utterly abolish the whole body of sin; and that, as *he is* made *partaker* of the death of thy Son, *he* may also be *partaker* of his resurrection; so that finally, with the residue of thy holy Church, *he* may be *an inheritor* of thine everlasting kingdom; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then, all standing up, the Priest shall say to the Godfathers and Godmothers this Exhortation following.*

FORASMUCH as *this Child hath* promised by you *his* sureties to renounce the devil and all his works, to believe in God, and to serve him; ye must remember, that it is your parts and duties to see that *this Infant* be taught, so soon as *he* shall be able to learn, what a solemn vow, promise, and pro-

fession, *he hath* here made by you. And that *he* may know these things the better, ye shall call upon *him* to hear Sermons; and chiefly ye shall provide, that *he* may learn the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments, in the vulgar tongue, and all other things which a Christian ought to know and believe to his soul's health; and that *this Child* may be virtuously brought up to lead a godly and a christian life; remembering always, that Baptism doth represent unto us our profession; which is, to follow the example of our Saviour Christ, and to be made like unto him; that, as he died, and rose again for us, so should we, who are baptized, die from sin, and rise again unto righteousness; continually mortifying all our evil and corrupt affections, and daily proceeding in all virtue and godliness of living.

¶ *Then shall he add and say,*

YE are to take care that *this Child* be brought to the Bishop to be confirmed by him, so soon as *he* can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments, in the vulgar tongue, and be further instructed in the Church-Catechism set forth for that purpose.

¶ *It is certain by God's Word, that Children which are baptized, dying before they commit actual sin, are undoubtedly saved.*

¶ *To take away all scruple concerning the use of the sign of the Cross in Baptism; the true explication thereof, and the just reasons for the retaining of it, may be seen in the* xxxth *Canon, first published in the Year* MDCIV.

THE MINISTRATION OF PRIVATE BAPTISM OF CHILDREN IN HOUSES.

¶ *The Curates of every Parish shall often admonish the people, that they defer not the Baptism of their Children longer than the first or second Sunday next after their birth, or other Holy-day falling between, unless upon a great and reasonable cause, to be approved by the Curate.*

¶ *And also they shall warn them, that without like great cause and necessity they procure not their Children to be baptized at home in their houses. But when need shall compel them so to do, then Baptism shall be administered on this fashion:*

¶ *First, let the Minister of the Parish (or, in his absence, any other lawful Minister that can be procured) with them that are present call upon God, and say the Lord's Prayer, and so many of the Collects appointed to be said before in the Form of Publick Baptism, as the time and present exigence will suffer. And then, the Child being named by some one that is present, the Minister shall pour Water upon it, saying these words;*

N. I baptize thee In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *Then, all kneeling down, the Minister shall give thanks unto God, and say,*

WE yield thee hearty thanks, most merciful Father, that it hath pleased thee to regenerate *this Infant* with thy holy Spirit, to receive *him* for thine own *Child* by adoption, and to incorporate *him* into thy holy Church. And we humbly beseech thee to grant, that as *he is* now made *partaker* of the death of thy Son, so *he* may be also of his resurrection; and that finally, with the residue of thy Saints, *he* may inherit thine everlasting kingdom; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRIVATE BAPTISM.

¶ *And let them not doubt, but that the Child so baptized is lawfully and sufficiently baptized, and ought not to be baptized again. Yet nevertheless, if the Child, which is after this sort baptized, do afterward live, it is expedient that it be brought into the Church, to the intent that, if the Minister of the same Parish did himself baptize that Child, the Congregation may be certified of the true Form of Baptism, by him privately before used: In which case he shall say thus,*

I CERTIFY you, that according to the due and prescribed Order of the Church, *at such a time*, and *at such a place*, before divers witnesses I baptized this Child.

¶ *But if the Child were baptized by any other lawful Minister, then the Minister of the Parish, where the Child was born or christened, shall examine and try whether the Child be lawfully baptized, or no. In which case, if those that bring any Child to the Church do answer, that the same Child is already baptized, then shall the Minister examine them further, saying,*

BY whom was this Child baptized?

Who was present when this Child was baptized?

Because some things essential to this Sacrament may happen to be omitted through fear or haste, in such times of extremity; therefore I demand further of you,

With what matter was this Child baptized?

With what words was this Child baptized?

¶ *And if the Minister shall find by the answers of such as bring the Child, that all things were done as they ought to be; then shall not he christen the Child again, but shall receive him as one of the flock of true christian people, saying thus,*

I CERTIFY you, that in this case all is well done, and according unto due order, concerning the baptizing of this Child; who being born in original sin, and in the wrath

of God, is now, by the laver of Regeneration in Baptism, received into the number of the children of God, and heirs of everlasting life: for our Lord Jesus Christ doth not deny his grace and mercy unto such Infants, but most lovingly doth call them unto him, as the holy Gospel doth witness to our comfort on this wise.

St. *Mark* 10. 13.

THEY brought young children to Christ, that he should touch them; and his disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein. And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them.

¶ *After the Gospel is read, the Minister shall make this brief Exhortation upon the words of the Gospel.*

BELOVED, ye hear in this Gospel the words of our Saviour Christ, that he commanded the children to be brought unto him; how he blamed those that would have kept them from him; how he exhorted all men to follow their innocency. Ye perceive how by his outward gesture and deed he declared his good will toward them; for he embraced them in his arms, he laid his hands upon them, and blessed them. Doubt ye not therefore, but earnestly believe, that he hath

likewise favourably received *this* present *Infant;* that he hath embraced *him* with the arms of his mercy; and (as he hath promised in his holy Word) will give unto *him* the blessing of eternal life, and make *him partaker* of his everlasting kingdom. Wherefore, we being thus persuaded of the good will of our heavenly Father, declared by his Son Jesus Christ, towards *this Infant*, let us faithfully and devoutly give thanks unto him, and say the Prayer which the Lord himself taught us:

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation: But deliver us from evil. Amen.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, heavenly Father, we give thee humble thanks, that thou hast vouchsafed to call us to the knowledge of thy grace, and faith in thee: Increase this knowledge, and confirm this faith in us evermore. Give thy holy Spirit to *this Infant*, that *he*, being born again, and being made *an heir* of everlasting salvation, through our Lord Jesus Christ, may continue thy *servant*, and attain thy promise; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest demand the Name of the Child; which being by the Godfathers and Godmothers pronounced, the Minister shall say,*

DOST thou, in the name of this Child, renounce the devil and all his works, the vain pomp and glory of this world, with all covetous desires of the same, and the carnal desires of the flesh, so that thou wilt not follow, nor be led by them?

Answer. I renounce them all.

Minister.

DOST thou believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth?

And in Jesus Christ his only-begotten Son our Lord? And that he was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; that he suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; that he went down into hell, and also did rise again the third day; that he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; and from thence shall come again at the end of the world, to judge the quick and the dead?

And dost thou believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholick Church; the Communion of Saints; the Remission of sins; the Resurrection of the flesh; and everlasting life after death?

Answer. All this I stedfastly believe.

Minister.

WILT thou then obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same all the days of thy life?

Answer. I will.

PRIVATE BAPTISM.

¶ *Then the Priest shall say,*

WE receive this Child into the congregation of Christ's flock, * and do sign *him* with the sign of the Cross, in token that hereafter *he* shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under his banner, against sin, the world, and the devil; and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto *his* life's end. Amen.

** Here the Priest shall make a Cross upon the Child's forehead.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

SEEING now, dearly beloved brethren, that *this Child is* by Baptism regenerate, and grafted into the body of Christ's Church, let us give thanks unto Almighty God for these benefits; and with one accord make our prayers unto him, that *he* may lead the rest of *his* life according to this beginning.

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

WE yield thee most hearty thanks, most merciful Father, that it hath pleased thee to regenerate *this Infant* with thy holy Spirit, to receive *him* for thine own *Child* by adoption, and to incorporate *him* into thy holy Church. And humbly we beseech thee to grant, that *he* being dead unto sin, and living unto righteousness, and being buried with Christ in his death, may crucify the old man, and utterly abolish the whole body of sin; and that, as *he is* made *partaker* of the death of thy Son, *he* may also be *partaker* of his resurrection; so that finally, with

the residue of thy holy Church, *he* may be *an inheritor* of thine everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then, all standing up, the Minister shall make this Exhortation to the Godfathers and Godmothers.*

FORASMUCH as *this Child hath* promised by you *his* sureties to renounce the devil and all his works, to believe in God, and to serve him; ye must remember, that it is your parts and duties to see that *this Infant* be taught, so soon as *he* shall be able to learn, what a solemn vow, promise, and profession *he hath* made by you. And that *he* may know these things the better, ye shall call upon *him* to hear Sermons; and chiefly ye shall provide, that *he* may learn the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments, in the vulgar tongue, and all other things which a Christian ought to know and believe to his soul's health; and that *this Child* may be virtuously brought up to lead a godly and a christian life; remembering alway, that Baptism doth represent unto us our profession; which is, to follow the example of our Saviour Christ, and to be made like unto him: that, as he died, and rose again for us, so should we, who are baptized, die from sin, and rise again unto righteousness; continually mortifying all our evil and corrupt affections, and daily proceeding in all virtue and godliness of living.

¶ *But if they which bring the Infant to the Church do make such uncertain answers to the Priest's questions, as that it cannot appear that the Child was baptized with* Water, In

the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, (*which are essential parts of Baptism,*) *then let the Priest baptize it In the form before appointed for Publick Baptism of Infants; saving that at the dipping of the Child in the Font, he shall use this form of words.*

IF thou art not already baptized, *N.* I baptize thee In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE MINISTRATION OF BAPTISM TO SUCH AS ARE OF RIPER YEARS, AND ABLE TO ANSWER FOR THEMSELVES.

¶ *When any such persons, as are of riper years, are to be baptized, timely notice shall be given to the Bishop, or whom he shall appoint for that purpose, a week before at the least, by the Parents, or some other discreet persons; that so due care may be taken for their Examination, whether they be sufficiently instructed in the Principles of the Christian Religion; and that they may be exhorted to prepare themselves with Prayers and Fasting for the receiving of this holy Sacrament.*

¶ *And if they shall be found fit, then the Godfathers and Godmothers (the people being assembled upon the Sunday or Holy-day appointed) shall be ready to present them at the Font immediately after the Second Lesson, either at Morning or Evening Prayer, as the Curate in his discretion shall think fit.*

¶ *And standing there, the Priest shall ask, whether any of the persons here presented be baptized, or no: If they shall answer,* No; *then shall the Priest say thus,*

DEARLY beloved, forasmuch as all men are conceived and born in sin, (and that which is born of the flesh is flesh,) and they that are in the flesh cannot please God,

but live in sin, committing many actual transgressions; and that our Saviour Christ saith, None can enter into the kingdom of God, except he be regenerate and born anew of Water and of the holy Ghost; I beseech you to call upon God the Father, through our Lord Jesus Christ, that of his bounteous goodness he will grant to *these persons* that which by nature *they* cannot have; that *they* may be baptized with Water and the holy Ghost, and received into Christ's holy Church, and be made lively *members* of the same.

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

Let us pray.

(¶ *And here all the Congregation shall kneel.*)

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who of thy great mercy didst save Noah and his family in the ark from perishing by water; and also didst safely lead the children of Israel thy people through the Red Sea, figuring thereby thy holy Baptism; and by the Baptism of thy well-beloved Son Jesus Christ, in the river Jordan, didst sanctify the element of Water to the mystical washing away of sin; We beseech thee, for thine infinite mercies, that thou wilt mercifully look upon *these* thy *servants;* wash *them* and sanctify *them* with the holy Ghost, that *they*, being delivered from thy wrath, may be received into the ark of Christ's Church; and being stedfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in charity, may so pass the waves of this troublesome world, that finally *they* may come to the land of everlasting life,

there to reign with thee world without end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and immortal God, the aid of all that need, the helper of all that flee to thee for succour, the life of them that believe, and the resurrection of the dead; We call upon thee for *these persons*, that *they*, coming to thy holy Baptism, may receive remission of *their* sins by spiritual regeneration. Receive *them*, O Lord, as thou hast promised by thy well-beloved Son, saying, Ask, and ye shall receive; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: So give now unto us that ask; let us that seek find; open the gate unto us that knock; that *these persons* may enjoy the everlasting benediction of thy heavenly washing, and may come to the eternal kingdom which thou hast promised by Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the people stand up, and the Priest shall say,*

Hear the words of the Gospel, written by Saint *John*, in the third Chapter, beginning at the first Verse.

THERE was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God; for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him. Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see

the kingdom of God. Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? Jesus answered, Verily, verily I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof; but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

¶ *After which he shall say this Exhortation following.*

BELOVED, ye hear in this Gospel the express words of our Saviour Christ, that except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. Whereby ye may perceive the great necessity of this Sacrament, where it may be had. Likewise, immediately before his ascension into heaven, (as we read in the last Chapter of Saint Mark's Gospel,) he gave command to his disciples, saying, Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. Which also sheweth unto us the great benefit we reap thereby. For which cause Saint Peter the Apostle, when upon his first preaching of the Gospel many were pricked at the heart, and said to him and the rest of the Apostles, Men and

brethren, what shall we do? replied and said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is to you and your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call. And with many other words exhorted he them, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation. For (as the same Apostle testifieth in another place) even Baptism doth also now save us, (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience towards God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Doubt ye not therefore, but earnestly believe, that he will favourably receive *these* present *persons*, truly repenting, and coming unto him by faith; that he will grant *them* remission of *their* sins, and bestow upon *them* the holy Ghost; that he will give *them* the blessing of eternal life, and make *them partakers* of his everlasting kingdom.

Wherefore we being thus persuaded of the good will of our heavenly Father towards *these persons*, declared by his Son Jesus Christ; let us faithfully and devoutly give thanks to him, and say

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, heavenly Father, we give thee humble thanks, for that thou hast vouchsafed to call us to the knowledge of thy grace, and faith in thee: Increase this knowledge, and confirm this faith in us evermore. Give thy holy Spirit to *these persons*, that *they* may be born again, and be made *heirs* of everlasting

salvation; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Priest shall speak to the* persons *to be baptized on this wise:*

WELL-BELOVED, who are come hither desiring to receive holy Baptism, *ye* have heard how the congregation hath prayed, that our Lord Jesus Christ would vouchsafe to receive you and bless you, to release you of your sins, to give you the kingdom of heaven, and everlasting life. *Ye* have heard also, that our Lord Jesus Christ hath promised in his holy Word to grant all those things that we have prayed for; which promise he, for his part, will most surely keep and perform.

Wherefore, after this promise made by Christ, *ye* must also faithfully, for your part, promise in the presence of these your Witnesses, and this whole congregation, that *ye* will renounce the devil and all his works, and constantly believe God's holy Word, and obediently keep his commandments.

¶ *Then shall the Priest demand of each of the persons to be baptized, severally, these Questions following:*

Question.

DOST thou renounce the devil and all his works, the vain pomp and glory of the world, with all covetous desires of the same, and the carnal desires of the flesh, so that thou wilt not follow, nor be led by them?

Answer. I renounce them all.

AS ARE OF RIPER YEARS.

Question.

DOST thou believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth? And in Jesus Christ his only-begotten Son our Lord? And that he was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; that he suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; that he went down into hell, and also did rise again the third day; that he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; and from thence shall come again at the end of the world, to judge the quick and the dead?

And dost thou believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholick Church; the Communion of Saints; the Remission of sins; the Resurrection of the flesh; and everlasting life after death?

Answer. All this I stedfastly believe.

Question.

WILT thou be baptized in this faith?

Answer. That is my desire.

Question.

WILT thou then obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same all the days of thy life?

Answer. I will endeavour so to do, God being my helper.

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

O MERCIFUL God, grant that the old Adam in *these persons* may be so buried, that the new man may be raised up in *them.* *Amen.*

Grant that all carnal affections may die in *them*, and that all things belonging to the Spirit may live and grow in *them*. *Amen*.

Grant that *they* may have power and strength to have victory, and to triumph, against the devil, the world, and the flesh. *Amen*.

Grant that *they*, being here dedicated to thee by our office and ministry, may also be endued with heavenly virtues, and everlastingly rewarded, through thy mercy, O blessed Lord God, who dost live, and govern all things, world without end. *Amen*.

ALMIGHTY, everliving God, whose most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins, did shed out of his most precious side both water and blood, and gave commandment to his disciples, that they should go teach all nations, and baptize them In the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; Regard, we beseech thee, the supplications of this congregation; sanctify this Water to the mystical washing away of sin; and grant that the *persons* now to be baptized therein may receive the fulness of thy grace, and ever remain in the number of thy faithful and elect children, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

¶ *Then shall the Priest take each person to be baptized by the right hand, and placing him conveniently by the Font, according to his discretion, shall ask the Godfathers and Godmothers the Name; and then shall dip him in the water, or pour water upon him, saying,*

N. I baptize thee In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

AS ARE OF RIPER YEARS.

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

WE receive this person into the congregation of Christ's flock; *and do sign *him* with the sign of the Cross, in token that hereafter *he* shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under his banner, against sin, the world, and the devil; and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto *his* life's end. Amen.

* *Here the Priest shall make a Cross upon the person's forehead.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

SEEING now, dearly beloved brethren, that *these persons are* regenerate, and grafted into the body of Christ's Church, let us give thanks unto Almighty God for these benefits, and with one accord make our prayers unto him, that *they* may lead the rest of *their* life according to this beginning.

¶ *Then shall be said the Lord's Prayer, all kneeling.*

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

WE yield thee humble thanks, O heavenly Father, that thou hast vouchsafed to call us to the knowledge of thy grace, and faith in thee; Increase this knowledge, and confirm this faith in us evermore.

Give thy holy Spirit to *these persons*; that, being now born again, and made *heirs* of everlasting salvation, through our Lord Jesus Christ, *they* may continue thy *servants*, and attain thy promises; through the same Lord Jesus Christ thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, everlastingly. *Amen.*

¶ *Then, all standing up, the Priest shall use this Exhortation following; speaking to the Godfathers and Godmothers first.*

FORASMUCH as *these persons have* promised in your presence to renounce the devil and all his works, to believe in God, and to serve him; ye must remember, that it is your part and duty to put *them* in mind, what a solemn vow, promise, and profession *they have* now made before this congregation, and especially before you *their* chosen witnesses. And ye are also to call upon *them* to use all diligence to be rightly instructed in God's holy Word; that so *they* may grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ, and live godly, righteously, and soberly in this present world.

(¶ *And then, speaking to the new baptized* persons, *he shall proceed, and say,*)

AND as for you, who have now by Baptism put on Christ, it is your part and duty also, being made the *children* of God and of the light, by faith in Jesus Christ, to walk answerably to your Christian calling, and as becometh the children of light; remembering always that Baptism representeth unto us our profession; which is, to follow the example of our Saviour Christ, and to be

made like unto him; that as he died, and rose again for us; so should we, who are baptized, die from sin, and rise again unto righteousness; continually mortifying all our evil and corrupt affections, and daily proceeding in all virtue and godliness of living.

¶ *It is expedient that every person, thus baptized, should be confirmed by the Bishop so soon after his Baptism as conveniently may be; that so he may be admitted to the holy Communion.*

¶ *If any persons not baptized in their infancy shall be brought to be baptized before they come to years of discretion to answer for themselves; it may suffice to use the Office for Publick Baptism of Infants, or (in case of extreme danger) the Office for Private Baptism; only changing the word* [Infant] *for* [Child *or* Person] *as occasion requireth.*

A CATECHISM,

THAT IS TO SAY, AN INSTRUCTION TO BE LEARNED OF EVERY PERSON, BEFORE HE BE BROUGHT TO BE CONFIRMED BY THE BISHOP.

Question.

WHAT is your Name?

Answer. *N.* or *M.*

Question. Who gave you this Name?

Answer. My Godfathers and Godmothers in my Baptism; wherein I was made a member of Christ, the child of God, and an inheritor of the kingdom of heaven.

Question. What did your Godfathers and Godmothers then for you?

Answer. They did promise and vow three things in my name. First, that I should renounce the devil and all his works, the pomps and vanity of this wicked world, and all the sinful lusts of the flesh. Secondly, that I should believe all the Articles of the Christian Faith. And thirdly, that I should keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same all the days of my life.

Question. Dost thou not think that thou art bound to believe, and to do, as they have promised for thee?

Answer. Yes verily; and by God's help so I will. And I heartily thank our heavenly Father, that he hath called me to this state of salvation, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. And I pray unto God to give me his grace, that I may continue in the same unto my life's end.

Catechist.

Rehearse the Articles of thy Belief.

Answer.

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried, He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead, He ascended into heaven, And sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body; And the Life everlasting. Amen.

Question. What dost thou chiefly learn in these Articles of thy Belief?

Answer. First, I learn to believe in God the Father, who hath made me, and all the world.

Secondly, in God the Son, who hath redeemed me, and all mankind.

Thirdly, in God the Holy Ghost, who sanctifieth me, and all the elect people of God.

Question.

You said, that your Godfathers and Godmothers did promise for you, that you should keep God's Commandments. Tell me how many there be?

Answer. Ten.

Question. Which be they?

Answer.

THE same which God spake in the twentieth Chapter of Exodus, saying, I am the Lord thy God, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

I. Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

II. Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth.

Thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me, and shew mercy unto thousands in them that love me, and keep my commandments.

III. Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his Name in vain.

IV. Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath-day. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all that thou hast to do; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, thy cattle, and the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day; wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

V. Honour thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

VI. Thou shalt do no murder.

VII. Thou shalt not commit adultery.

VIII. Thou shalt not steal.

IX. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

X. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is his.

A CATECHISM.

Question.

What dost thou chiefly learn by these Commandments?

Answer. I learn two things: my duty towards God, and my duty towards my Neighbour.

Question. What is thy duty towards God?

Answer. My duty towards God, is to believe in him, to fear him, and to love him with all my heart, with all my mind, with all my soul, and with all my strength; to worship him, to give him thanks, to put my whole trust in him, to call upon him, to honour his holy Name and his Word, and to serve him truly all the days of my life.

Question. What is thy duty towards thy Neighbour?

Answer. My duty towards my Neighbour, is to love him as myself, and to do to all men, as I would they should do unto me: To love, honour, and succour my father and mother: To honour and obey the Queen, and all that are put in authority under her: To submit myself to all my governors, teachers, spiritual pastors and masters: To order myself lowly and reverently to all my betters: To hurt no body by word nor deed: To be true and just in all my dealing: To bear no malice nor hatred in my heart: To keep my hands from picking and stealing, and my tongue from evil-speaking, lying, and slandering: To keep my body in temperance, soberness, and chastity: Not to covet nor desire other men's goods; but to

learn and labour truly to get mine own living, and to do my duty in that state of life, unto which it shall please God to call me.

Catechist.

My good Child, know this, that thou art not able to do these things of thyself, nor to walk in the Commandments of God, and to serve him, without his special grace; which thou must learn at all times to call for by diligent prayer. Let me hear therefore, if thou canst say the Lord's Prayer.

Answer.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Question. What desirest thou of God in this Prayer?

Answer. I desire my Lord God our heavenly Father, who is the giver of all goodness, to send his grace unto me, and to all people; that we may worship him, serve him, and obey him, as we ought to do. And I pray unto God, that he will send us all things that be needful both for our souls and bodies; and that he will be merciful unto us, and forgive us our sins; and that it will please him to save and defend us in all dangers ghostly and bodily; and that he will

keep us from all sin and wickedness, and from our ghostly enemy, and from everlasting death. And this I trust he will do of his mercy and goodness, through our Lord Jesus Christ. And therefore I say, Amen, So be it.

Question.

HOW many Sacraments hath Christ ordained in his Church?

Answer. Two only, as generally necessary to salvation, that is to say, Baptism, and the Supper of the Lord.

Question. What meanest thou by this word *Sacrament?*

Answer. I mean an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace given unto us, ordained by Christ himself, as a means whereby we receive the same, and a pledge to assure us thereof.

Question. How many parts are there in a Sacrament?

Answer. Two; the outward visible sign, and the inward spiritual grace.

Question. What is the outward visible sign or form in Baptism?

Answer. Water; wherein the person is baptized *In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.*

Question. What is the inward and spiritual grace?

Answer. A death unto sin, and a new birth unto righteousness: for being by nature born in sin, and the children of wrath, we are hereby made the children of grace.

Question. What is required of persons to be baptized?

Answer. Repentance, whereby they forsake sin; and Faith, whereby they stedfastly believe the promises of God made to them in that Sacrament.

Question. Why then are Infants baptized, when by reason of their tender age they cannot perform them?

Answer. Because they promise them both by their Sureties; which promise, when they come to age, themselves are bound to perform.

Question. Why was the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper ordained?

Answer. For the continual remembrance of the sacrifice of the death of Christ, and of the benefits which we receive thereby.

Question. What is the outward part or sign of the Lord's Supper?

Answer. Bread and Wine, which the Lord hath commanded to be received.

Question. What is the inward part, or thing signified?

Answer. The Body and Blood of Christ, which are verily and indeed taken and received by the faithful in the Lord's Supper.

Question. What are the benefits whereof we are partakers thereby?

Answer. The strengthening and refreshing of our souls by the Body and Blood of Christ, as our bodies are by the Bread and Wine.

Question. What is required of them who come to the Lord's Supper?

Answer. To examine themselves, whether

they repent them truly of their former sins, stedfastly purposing to lead a new life; have a lively faith in God's mercy through Christ, with a thankful remembrance of his death; and be in charity with all men.

¶ *The Curate of every Parish shall diligently upon Sundays and Holy-days, after the second Lesson at Evening Prayer, openly in the Church instruct and examine so many Children of his Parish sent unto him, as he shall think convenient, in some part of this Catechism.*

¶ *And all Fathers, Mothers, Masters, and Dames, shall cause their Children, Servants, and Prentices, (which have not learned their Catechism,) to come to the Church at the time appointed, and obediently to hear, and be ordered by the Curate, until such time as they have learned all that is here appointed for them to learn,*

¶ *So soon as Children are come to a competent age, and can say, in their Mother Tongue, the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments; and also can answer to the other Questions of this short Catechism; they shall be brought to the Bishop. And every one shall have a God-father, or a Godmother, as a Witness of their Confirmation.*

¶ *And whensoever the Bishop shall give knowledge for Children to be brought unto him for their Confirmation, the Curate of every Parish shall either bring, or send in writing, with his hand subscribed thereunto, the names of all such persons within his Parish, as he shall think fit to be presented to the Bishop to be confirmed. And, if the Bishop approve of them, he shall confirm them in manner following.*

THE ORDER OF CONFIRMATION, OR LAYING ON OF HANDS UPON THOSE THAT ARE BAPTIZED AND COME TO YEARS OF DISCRETION.

¶ *Upon the day appointed, all that are to be then confirmed, being placed, and standing in order, before the Bishop; he (or some other Minister appointed by him) shall read this Preface following.*

TO the end that Confirmation may be ministered to the more edifying of such as shall receive it, the Church hath thought good to order, That none hereafter shall be Confirmed, but such as can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments; and can also answer to such other Questions, as in the short Catechism are contained: which order is very convenient to be observed; to the end, that children, being now come to the years of discretion, and having learned what their Godfathers and Godmothers promised for them in Baptism, they may themselves, with their own mouth and consent, openly before the Church, ratify and confirm the same; and also promise, that by the grace of God they will evermore endeavour themselves faithfully to observe such things, as they, by their own confession, have assented unto.

¶ *Then shall the Bishop say,*

DO ye here, in the presence of God, and of this congregation, renew the solemn promise and vow that was made in your name at your Baptism; ratifying and con-

firming the same in your own persons, and acknowledging yourselves bound to believe, and to do, all those things, which your Godfathers and Godmothers then undertook for you?

¶ *And every one shall audibly answer,*

I do.

The Bishop.

OUR help is in the Name of the Lord;
Answer. Who hath made heaven and earth.
Bishop. Blessed be the Name of the Lord;
Answer. Henceforth, world without end.
Bishop. Lord, hear our prayers.
Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

The Bishop. Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who hast vouchsafed to regenerate these thy servants by Water and the holy Ghost, and hast given unto them forgiveness of all their sins; Strengthen them, we beseech thee, O Lord, with the Holy Ghost the Comforter, and daily increase in them thy manifold gifts of grace; the spirit of wisdom and understanding; the spirit of counsel and ghostly strength; the spirit of knowledge and true godliness; and fill them, O Lord, with the spirit of thy holy fear, now and for ever. *Amen.*

¶ *Then all of them in order kneeling before the Bishop, he shall lay his hand upon the head of every one severally, saying,*

DEFEND, O Lord, this thy Child [or *this thy Servant*] with thy heavenly grace, that *he* may continue thine for ever; and

daily increase in thy holy Spirit more and more, until *he* come unto thy everlasting kingdom. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Bishop say,*

The Lord be with you.
Answer. And with thy spirit.

¶ *And (all kneeling down) the Bishop shall add,*

Let us pray.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

And this Collect.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who makest us both to will and to do those things that be good and acceptable unto thy divine Majesty; We make our humble supplications unto thee for these thy servants, upon whom (after the example of thy holy Apostles) we have now laid our hands, to certify them (by this sign) of thy favour and gracious goodness towards them. Let thy fatherly hand, we beseech thee, ever be over them: let thy Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of thy Word, that in the end they may obtain everlasting life; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

SOLEMNIZATION OF MATRIMONY.

O ALMIGHTY Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern, both our hearts and bodies, in the ways of thy laws, and in the works of thy commandments; that, through thy most mighty protection both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Bishop shall bless them, saying thus,*

THE Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

¶ *And there shall none be admitted to the holy Communion, until such time as he be confirmed, or be ready and desirous to be confirmed.*

THE FORM OF SOLEMNIZATION OF MATRIMONY.

¶ *First the Banns of all that are to be married together must be published in the Church three several Sundays, during the time of Morning Service, or of Evening Service, (if there be no Morning Service,) immediately after the second Lesson; the Curate saying after the accustomed manner,*

I PUBLISH the Banns of Marriage between *N.* of ——— and *N.* of ———. If any of you know cause, or just impediment, why these two persons should not be joined together in holy Matrimony, ye are to declare it. This is the first [*second*, or *third*] time of asking.

¶ *And if the persons that are to be married dwell in divers Parishes, the Banns must be asked in both Parishes; and the Curate of the one Parish shall not solemnize Matrimony*

betwixt them, without a Certificate of the Banns being thrice asked, from the Curate of the other Parish.

¶ *At the day and time appointed for solemnization of Matrimony, the persons to be married shall come into the body of the Church with their friends and neighbours: and there standing together, the Man on the right hand, and the Woman on the left, the Priest shall say,*

DEARLY beloved, we are gathered together here in the sight of God, and in the face of this congregation, to join together this Man and this Woman in holy Matrimony; which is an honourable estate, instituted of God in the time of man's innocency, signifying unto us the mystical union that is betwixt Christ and his Church; which holy estate Christ adorned and beautified with his presence, and first miracle that he wrought, in Cana of Galilee; and is commended of Saint Paul to be honourable among all men: and therefore is not by any to be enterprised, nor taken in hand, unadvisedly, lightly, or wantonly, to satisfy men's carnal lusts and appetites, like brute beasts that have no understanding; but reverently, discreetly, advisedly, soberly, and in the fear of God; duly considering the causes for which Matrimony was ordained.

First, It was ordained for the procreation of children, to be brought up in the fear and nurture of the Lord, and to the praise of his holy Name.

Secondly, It was ordained for a remedy against sin, and to avoid fornication; that such persons as have not the gift of continency might marry, and keep themselves undefiled members of Christ's body.

Thirdly, It was ordained for the mutual

society, help, and comfort, that the one ought to have of the other, both in prosperity and adversity. Into which holy estate these two persons present come now to be joined. Therefore if any man can shew any just cause, why they may not lawfully be joined together, let him now speak, or else hereafter for ever hold his peace.

¶ *And also, speaking unto the persons that shall be married, he shall say,*

I REQUIRE and charge you both, as ye will answer at the dreadful day of judgement when the secrets of all hearts shall be disclosed, that if either of you know any impediment, why ye may not be lawfully joined together in Matrimony, ye do now confess it. For be ye well assured, that so many as are coupled together otherwise than God's Word doth allow are not joined together by God; neither is their Matrimony lawful.

¶ *At which day of Marriage, if any man do alledge and declare any impediment, why they may not be coupled together in Matrimony, by God's Law, or the Laws of this Realm; and will be bound, and sufficient sureties with him, to the parties; or else put in a Caution (to the full value of such charges as the persons to be married do thereby sustain) to prove his allegation: then the solemnization must be deferred, until such time as the truth be tried.*

¶ *If no impediment be alledged, then shall the Curate say unto the Man,*

N. WILT thou have this Woman to thy wedded wife, to live together after God's ordinance in the holy estate of Matrimony? Wilt thou love her, comfort her, honour, and keep her in sickness and in

health; and, forsaking all other, keep thee only unto her, so long as ye both shall live?

¶ *The Man shall answer,*

I will.

¶ *Then shall the Priest say unto the Woman,*

N. WILT thou have this Man to thy wedded husband, to live together after God's ordinance in the holy estate of Matrimony? Wilt thou obey him, and serve him, love, honour, and keep him in sickness and in health; and, forsaking all other, keep thee only unto him, so long as ye both shall live?

¶ *The Woman shall answer,*

I will.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say,*

Who giveth this Woman to be married to this Man?

¶ *Then shall they give their troth to each other in this manner.*

¶ *The Minister, receiving the Woman at her father's or friend's hands, shall cause the Man with his right hand to take the Woman by her right hand, and to say after him as followeth.*

I *N.* take thee *N.* to my wedded wife, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, till death us do part, according to God's holy ordinance; and thereto I plight thee my troth.

¶ *Then shall they loose their hands; and the Woman, with her right hand taking the Man by his right hand, shall likewise say after the Minister,*

I *N.* take thee *N.* to my wedded husband, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better for worse for richer for poorer, in

sickness and in health, to love, cherish, and ~~to obey,~~ till death us do part, according to God's holy ordinance; and thereto I give thee my troth.

¶ *Then shall they again loose their hands; and the Man shall give unto the Woman a Ring, laying the same upon the book with the accustomed duty to the Priest and Clerk. And the Priest, taking the Ring, shall deliver it unto the Man, to put it upon the fourth finger of the Woman's left hand. And the Man holding the Ring there, and taught by the Priest, shall say,*

WITH this Ring I thee wed, with my body I thee worship, and with all my worldly goods I thee endow: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *Then the Man leaving the Ring upon the fourth finger of the Woman's left hand, they shall both kneel down; and the Minister shall say,*

Let us pray.

O ETERNAL God, Creator and Preserver of all mankind, Giver of all spiritual grace, the Author of everlasting life; Send thy blessing upon these thy servants, this man and this woman, whom we bless in thy Name; that, as Isaac and Rebecca lived faithfully together, so these persons may surely perform and keep the vow and covenant betwixt them made, (whereof this Ring given and received is a token and pledge,) and may ever remain in perfect love and peace together, and live according to thy laws; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest join their right hands together, and say,*

Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder.

¶ *Then shall the Minister speak unto the people.*

FORASMUCH as *N.* and *N.* have consented together in holy wedlock, and have witnessed the same before God and this company, and thereto have given and pledged their troth either to other, and have declared the same by giving and receiving of a Ring, and by joining of hands; I pronounce that they be Man and Wife together, In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *And the Minister shall add this Blessing.*

GOD the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost, bless, preserve, and keep you; the Lord mercifully with his favour look upon you; and so fill you with all spiritual benediction and grace, that ye may so live together in this life, that in the world to come ye may have life everlasting. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Minister or Clerks, going to the Lord's Table, shall say or sing this Psalm following.*

Beati omnes. Psalm 128.

BLESSED are all they that fear the Lord: and walk in his ways.

For thou shalt eat the labour of thine hands: O well is thee, and happy shalt thou be.

Thy wife shall be as the fruitful vine: upon the walls of thine house;

Thy children like the olive-branches: round about thy table.

Lo, thus shall the man be blessed: that feareth the Lord.

The Lord from out of Sion shall so bless thee: that thou shalt see Jerusalem in prosperity all thy life long:

Yea, that thou shalt see thy children's children : and peace upon Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Or this Psalm.*

Deus misereatur. Psalm 67.

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us : and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us.

That thy way may be known upon earth : thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise thee, O God : yea, let all the people praise thee.

O let the nations rejoice and be glad : for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the people praise thee, O God : yea, let all the people praise thee.

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase : and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.

God shall bless us : and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *The Psalm ended, and the Man and the Woman kneeling before the Lord's Table, the Priest standing at the Table, and turning his face towards them, shall say,*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Answer. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Minister. Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Minister. O Lord, save thy servant, and thy handmaid;

Answer. Who put their trust in thee.

Minister. O Lord, send them help from thy holy place;

Answer. And evermore defend them.

Minister. Be unto them a tower of strength,

Answer. From the face of their enemy.

Minister. O Lord, hear our prayer.

Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Minister.

O GOD of Abraham, God of Isaac, God of Jacob, bless these thy servants, and sow the seed of eternal life in their hearts; that whatsoever in thy holy Word they shall profitably learn, they may in deed fulfil the same. Look, O Lord, mercifully upon them from heaven, and bless them. And as thou didst send thy blessing upon Abraham and Sarah, to their great comfort, so vouchsafe to send thy blessing upon these thy servants; that they obeying thy will, and alway being in safety under thy protection, may abide in thy love unto their lives' end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *This Prayer next following shall be omitted, where the Woman is past child-bearing.*

O MERCIFUL Lord, and heavenly Father, by whose gracious gift mankind is increased; We beseech thee, assist with thy blessing these two persons, that they may both be fruitful in procreation of children, and also live together so long in godly love and honesty, that they may see their children christianly and virtuously brought up, to thy praise and honour; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O GOD, who by thy mighty power hast made all things of nothing; who also (after other things set in order) didst appoint, that out of man (created after thine own image and similitude) woman should take her beginning; and, knitting them together, didst teach that it should never be lawful to put asunder those whom thou by Matrimony hadst made one: O God, who hast consecrated the state of Matrimony to such an excellent mystery, that in it is signified and represented the spiritual marriage and unity betwixt Christ and his Church; Look mercifully upon these thy servants, that both this man may love his wife, according to thy Word, (as Christ did love his spouse the Church, who gave himself for it, loving and cherishing it even as his own flesh,) and also that this woman may be loving and amiable, faithful and obedient to her husband; and in all quietness, sobriety, and peace, be a follower of holy and godly matrons. O Lord, bless them both, and grant them to inherit

thy everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

ALMIGHTY God, who at the beginning did create our first parents, Adam and Eve, and did sanctify and join them together in marriage; Pour upon you the riches of his grace, sanctify and bless you, that ye may please him both in body and soul, and live together in holy love unto your lives' end. *Amen.*

¶ *After which, if there be no Sermon declaring the duties of Man and Wife, the Minister shall read as followeth.*

ALL ye that are married, or that intend to take the holy estate of Matrimony upon you, hear what the holy Scripture doth say as touching the duty of husbands towards their wives, and wives towards their husbands.

Saint Paul, in his Epistle to the Ephesians, the fifth Chapter, doth give this commandment to all married men; Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the Church, and gave himself for it, that he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water, by the Word; that he might present it to himself a glorious Church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy, and without blemish. So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself: for no man ever yet hated his own flesh, but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the Church: for we are members of his body, of his flesh,

and of his bones. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife; and they two shall be one flesh. This is a great mystery; but I speak concerning Christ and the Church. Nevertheless, let every one of you in particular so love his wife, even as himself.

Likewise the same Saint Paul, writing to the Colossians, speaketh thus to all men that are married; Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them.

Hear also what Saint Peter, the Apostle of Christ, who was himself a married man, saith unto them that are married; Ye husbands, dwell with your wives according to knowledge; giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life, that your prayers be not hindered.

Hitherto ye have heard the duty of the husband toward the wife. Now likewise, ye wives, hear and learn your duties toward your husbands, even as it is plainly set forth in holy Scripture.

Saint Paul, in the aforenamed Epistle to the Ephesians, teacheth you thus; Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the Church: and he is the Saviour of the body. Therefore as the Church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing. And again he saith, Let the wife see that she reverence her husband.

And in his Epistle to the Colossians,

Saint Paul giveth you this short lesson; Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord.

Saint Peter also doth instruct you very well, thus saying; Ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the Word, they also may without the Word be won by the conversation of the wives; while they behold your chaste conversation coupled with fear. Whose adorning, let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel; but let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible; even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price. For after this manner in the old time the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves, being in subjection unto their own husbands; even as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord; whose daughters ye are as long as ye do well, and are not afraid with any amazement.

¶ *It is convenient that the new-married persons should receive the holy Communion at the time of their Marriage, or at the first opportunity after their Marriage.*

THE ORDER FOR

THE VISITATION OF THE SICK.

¶ *When any person is sick, notice shall be given thereof to the Minister of the Parish; who, coming into the sick person's house, shall say,*

PEACE be to this house, and to all that dwell in it.

¶ *When he cometh into the sick man's presence he shall say, kneeling down,*

REMEMBER not, Lord, our iniquities, nor the iniquities of our forefathers: Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever.

Answer. Spare us, good Lord.

¶ *Then the Minister shall say,*

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Minister. O Lord, save thy servant;
Answer. Which putteth *his* trust in thee.

Minister. Send *him* help from thy holy place;
Answer. And evermore mightily defend *him.*
Minister. Let the enemy have no advantage of *him;*
Answer. Nor the wicked approach to hurt *him.*
Minister. Be unto *him,* O Lord, a strong tower,
Answer. From the face of *his* enemy.
Minister. O Lord, hear our prayers.
Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Minister.

O LORD, look down from heaven, behold, visit, and relieve this thy servant. Look upon *him* with the eyes of thy mercy, give *him* comfort and sure confidence in thee, defend *him* from the danger of the enemy, and keep *him* in perpetual peace and safety; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

HEAR us, Almighty and most merciful God and Saviour; extend thy accustomed goodness to this thy servant who is grieved with sickness. Sanctify, we beseech thee, this thy fatherly correction to *him;* that the sense of *his* weakness may add strength to *his* faith, and seriousness to *his* repentance: That, if it shall be thy good pleasure to restore *him* to *his* former health, *he* may lead the residue of *his* life in thy fear, and to thy glory: or else, give *him* grace so to take thy visitation, that, after this painful life ended, *he* may dwell with thee in life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE VISITATION OF THE SICK.

¶ *Then shall the Minister exhort the sick person after this form, or other like.*

DEARLY beloved, know this, that Almighty God is the Lord of life and death, and of all things to them pertaining, as youth, strength, health, age, weakness, and sickness. Wherefore, whatsoever your sickness is, know you certainly, that it is God's visitation. And for what cause soever this sickness is sent unto you; whether it be to try your patience for the example of others, and that your faith may be found in the day of the Lord laudable, glorious, and honourable, to the increase of glory and endless felicity; or else it be sent unto you to correct and amend in you whatsoever doth offend the eyes of your heavenly Father; know you certainly, that if you truly repent you of your sins, and bear your sickness patiently, trusting in God's mercy, for his dear Son Jesus Christ's sake, and render unto him humble thanks for his fatherly visitation, submitting yourself wholly unto his will, it shall turn to your profit, and help you forward in the right way that leadeth unto everlasting life.

¶ *If the person visited be very sick, then the Curate may end his exhortation in this place, or else proceed.*

TAKE therefore in good part the chastisement of the Lord: For (as Saint Paul saith in the twelfth Chapter to the Hebrews) whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the

father chasteneth not? But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons. Furthermore, we have had fathers of our flesh, which corrected us, and we gave them reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live? For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure; but he for our profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness. These words, good *brother*, are written in holy Scripture for our comfort and instruction; that we should patiently, and with thanksgiving, bear our heavenly Father's correction, whensoever by any manner of adversity it shall please his gracious goodness to visit us. And there should be no greater comfort to Christian persons, than to be made like unto Christ, by suffering patiently adversities, troubles, and sicknesses. For he himself went not up to joy, but first he suffered pain; he entered not into his glory before he was crucified. So truly our way to eternal joy is to suffer here with Christ; and our door to enter into eternal life is gladly to die with Christ; that we may rise again from death, and dwell with him in everlasting life. Now therefore, taking your sickness, which is thus profitable for you, patiently, I exhort you, in the Name of God, to remember the profession which you made unto God in your Baptism. And forasmuch as after this life there is an account to be given unto the righteous Judge, by whom all must be judged, without respect of persons, I require you to examine your-

self and your estate, both toward God and man; so that, accusing and condemning yourself for your own faults, you may find mercy at our heavenly Father's hand for Christ's sake, and not be accused and condemned in that fearful judgement. Therefore I shall rehearse to you the Articles of our Faith, that you may know whether you do believe as a Christian man should, or no.

¶ *Here the Minister shall rehearse the Articles of the Faith saying thus,*

DOST thou believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth?

And in Jesus Christ his only-begotten Son our Lord? And that he was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; that he suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; that he went down into hell, and also did rise again the third day; that he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty: and from thence shall come again at the end of the world, to judge the quick and the dead?

And dost thou believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholick Church; the Communion of Saints; the Remission of sins; the Resurrection of the flesh; and everlasting life after death?

¶ *The sick person shall answer,*

All this I stedfastly believe.

¶ *Then shall the Minister examine whether he repent him truly of his sins, and be in charity with all the world; exhorting him to forgive, from the bottom of his heart, all persons that have offended him; and if he hath offended any other, to ask them forgiveness; and where he hath done injury or wrong to any man, that he make amends to the uttermost of his power. And if he hath not before disposed of his goods, let him then be admonished to make his Will, and to declare his Debts, what he oweth, and what is owing unto him; for the better discharging of his conscience, and the quietness of his Executors. But men should often be put in remembrance to take order for the settling of their temporal estates, whilst they are in health.*

¶ *These words before rehearsed may be said before the Minister begin his Prayer, as he shall see cause.*

¶ *The Minister should not omit earnestly to move such sick persons as are of ability to be liberal to the poor.*

¶ *Here shall the sick person be moved to make a special Confession of his sins, if he feel his conscience troubled with any weighty matter. After which Confession, the Priest shall absolve him (if he humbly and heartily desire it) after this sort.*

OUR Lord Jesus Christ, who hath left power to his Church to absolve all sinners who truly repent and believe in him, of his great mercy forgive thee thine offences: And by his authority committed to me, I absolve thee from all thy sins, In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *And then the Priest shall say the Collect following.*

Let us pray.

O MOST merciful God, who, according to the multitude of thy mercies, dost so put away the sins of those who truly repent, that thou rememberest them no more; Open thine eye of mercy upon this thy servant, who most earnestly desireth pardon and forgiveness. Renew in *him*, most loving Father,

whatsoever hath been decayed by the fraud and malice of the devil, or by *his* own carnal will and frailness; preserve and continue this sick member in the unity of the Church; consider *his* contrition, accept *his* tears, asswage *his* pain, as shall seem to thee most expedient for *him*. And forasmuch as *he* putteth *his* full trust only in thy mercy, impute not unto *him his* former sins, but strengthen *him* with thy blessed Spirit; and, when thou art pleased to take *him* hence, take *him* unto thy favour, through the merits of thy most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Minister say this Psalm.*

In te, Domine, speravi. Psalm 71.

IN thee, O Lord, have I put my trust; let me never be put to confusion: but rid me, and deliver me in thy righteousness; incline thine ear unto me, and save me.

Be thou my strong hold, whereunto I may alway resort: thou hast promised to help me; for thou art my house of defence, and my castle.

Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the ungodly: out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.

For thou, O Lord God, art the thing that I long for: thou art my hope, even from my youth.

Through thee have I been holden up ever since I was born: thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb; my praise shall alway be of thee.

I am become as it were a monster unto many : but my sure trust is in thee.

O let my mouth be filled with thy praise : that I may sing of thy glory and honour all the day long.

Cast me not away in the time of age : forsake me not when my strength faileth me.

For mine enemies speak against me, and they that lay wait for my soul take their counsel together, saying : God hath forsaken him, persecute him, and take him ; for there is none to deliver him.

Go not far from me, O God : my God, haste thee to help me.

Let them be confounded and perish that are against my soul : let them be covered with shame and dishonour that seek to do me evil.

As for me, I will patiently abide alway : and will praise thee more and more.

My mouth shall daily speak of thy righteousness and salvation : for I know no end thereof.

I will go forth in the strength of the Lord God : and will make mention of thy righteousness only.

Thou, O God, hast taught me from my youth up until now : therefore will I tell of thy wondrous works.

Forsake me not, O God, in mine old age, when I am gray-headed : until I have shewed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to all them that are yet for to come.

Thy righteousness, O God, is very high, and great things are they that thou hast done : O God, who is like unto thee ?

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Adding this.*

O SAVIOUR of the world, who by thy Cross and precious Blood hast redeemed us, Save us, and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say,*

THE Almighty Lord, who is a most strong tower to all them that put their trust in him, to whom all things in heaven, in earth, and under the earth, do bow and obey, be now and evermore thy defence; and make thee know and feel, that there is none other Name under heaven given to man, in whom, and through whom, thou mayest receive health and salvation, but only the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

¶ *And after that shall say,*

UNTO God's gracious mercy and protection we commit thee. The Lord bless thee, and keep thee. The Lord make his face to shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace, both now and evermore. *Amen.*

A Prayer for a sick child.

O ALMIGHTY God, and merciful Father, to whom alone belong the issues of life and death ; Look down from heaven,

we humbly beseech thee, with the eyes of mercy upon this child now lying upon the bed of sickness: Visit *him*, O Lord, with thy salvation; deliver *him* in thy good appointed time from *his* bodily pain, and save *his* soul for thy mercies' sake: That, if it shall be thy pleasure to prolong *his* days here on earth, *he* may live to thee, and be an instrument of thy glory, by serving thee faithfully, and doing good in *his* generation; or else receive *him* into those heavenly habitations, where the souls of them that sleep in the Lord Jesus enjoy perpetual rest and felicity. Grant this, O Lord, for thy mercies' sake, in the same thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

A Prayer for a sick person, when there appeareth small hope of recovery.

O FATHER of mercies, and God of all comfort, our only help in time of need; We fly unto thee for succour in behalf of this thy servant, here lying under thy hand in great weakness of body. Look graciously upon *him*, O Lord; and the more the outward man decayeth, strengthen *him*, we beseech thee, so much the more continually with thy grace and holy Spirit in the inner man. Give *him* unfeigned repentance for all the errors of *his* life past, and stedfast faith in thy Son Jesus; that *his* sins may be done away by thy mercy, and *his* pardon sealed in heaven, before *he* go hence, and be no more seen. We know, O Lord, that there

is no word impossible with thee; and that, if thou wilt, thou canst even yet raise *him* up, and grant *him* a longer continuance amongst us: Yet, forasmuch as in all appearance the time of *his* dissolution draweth near, so fit and prepare *him*, we beseech thee, against the hour of death, that after *his* departure hence in peace, and in thy favour, *his* soul may be received into thine everlasting kingdom, through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, thine only Son, our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

A commendatory Prayer for a sick person at the point of departure.

O ALMIGHTY God, with whom do live the spirits of just men made perfect, after they are delivered from their earthly prisons; We humbly commend the soul of this thy servant, our dear *brother*, into thy hands, as into the hands of a faithful Creator, and most merciful Saviour; most humbly beseeching thee, that it may be precious in thy sight. Wash it, we pray thee, in the blood of that immaculate Lamb, that was slain to take away the sins of the world; that whatsoever defilements it may have contracted in the midst of this miserable and naughty world, through the lusts of the flesh, or the wiles of Satan, being purged and done away, it may be presented pure and without spot before thee. And teach us who survive, in this and other like daily spectacles of mortality, to see how frail and uncertain our own condition is; and so to number our days, that we may seriously apply our

hearts to that holy and heavenly wisdom, whilst we live here, which may in the end bring us to life everlasting, through the merits of Jesus Christ thine only Son our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer for persons troubled in mind or in conscience.

O BLESSED Lord, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comforts; We beseech thee, look down in pity and compassion upon this thy afflicted servant. Thou writest bitter things against *him*, and makest *him* to possess *his* former iniquities; thy wrath lieth hard upon *him*, and *his* soul is full of trouble: But, O merciful God, who hast written thy holy Word for our learning, that we, through patience and comfort of thy holy Scriptures, might have hope; give *him* a right understanding of *himself*, and of thy threats and promises; that *he* may neither cast away *his* confidence in thee, nor place it any where but in thee. Give *him* strength against all *his* temptations, and heal all *his* distempers. Break not the bruised reed, nor quench the smoking flax. Shut not up thy tender mercies in displeasure; but make *him* to hear of joy and gladness, that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice. Deliver *him* from fear of the enemy, and lift up the light of thy countenance upon *him*, and give *him* peace, through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE
COMMUNION OF THE SICK.

Forasmuch as all mortal men be subject to many sudden perils, diseases, and sicknesses, and ever uncertain what time they shall depart out of this life; therefore, to the intent they may be always in a readiness to die, whensoever it shall please Almighty God to call them, the Curates shall diligently from time to time (but especially in the time of pestilence, or other infectious sickness) exhort their Parishioners to the often receiving of the holy Communion of the Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ, when it shall be publickly administered in the Church; that so doing, they may, in case of sudden visitation, have the less cause to be disquieted for lack of the same. But if the sick person be not able to come to the Church, and yet is desirous to receive the Communion in his house; then he must give timely notice to the Curate, signifying also how many there are to communicate with him, (which shall be three, or two at the least,) and having a convenient place in the sick man's house, with all things necessary so prepared, that the Curate may reverently minister, he shall there celebrate the holy Communion, beginning with the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel, here following.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY, everliving God, Maker of mankind, who dost correct those whom thou dost love, and chastise every one whom thou dost receive; We beseech thee to have mercy upon this thy servant visited with thine hand, and to grant that *he* may take *his* sickness patiently, and recover *his* bodily health, (if it be thy gracious will;) and whensoever *his* soul shall depart from the body, it may be without spot presented unto thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE COMMUNION OF THE SICK.

THE EPISTLE. Hebrews 12. 5.

MY son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him. For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth; and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.

THE GOSPEL. St. John 5. 24.

VERILY, verily I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

¶ *After which the Priest shall proceed according to the form before prescribed for the holy Communion, beginning at these words* [Ye that do trúly *&c.*]

¶ *At the time of the distribution of the holy Sacrament, the Priest shall first receive the Communion himself, and after minister unto them that are appointed to communicate with the sick, and last of all to the sick person.*

¶ *But if a man, either by reason of extremity of sickness, or for want of warning in due time to the Curate, or for lack of company to receive with him, or by any other just impediment, do not receive the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood, the Curate shall instruct him, that if he do truly repent him of his sins, and stedfastly believe that Jesus Christ hath suffered death upon the Cross for him, and shed his Blood for his redemption, earnestly remembering the benefits he hath thereby, and giving him hearty thanks therefore, he doth eat and drink the Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ profitably to his Soul's health, although he do not receive the Sacrament with his mouth.*

¶ *When the sick person is visited, and receiveth the holy Communion all at one time, then the Priest, for more expedition, shall cut off the form of the Visitation at the Psalm* [In thee, O Lord, have I put my trust, *&c.*] *and go straight to the Communion.*

¶ *In the time of the Plague, Sweat, or such other like contagious times of sickness or diseases, when none of the Parish or neighbours can be gotten to communicate with the sick in their houses, for fear of the infection, upon special request of the diseased, the Minister may only communicate with him.*

THE ORDER FOR
THE BURIAL OF THE DEAD.

¶ *Here is to be noted, that the Office ensuing is not to be used for any that die unbaptized, or excommunicate, or have laid violent hands upon themselves.*

¶ *The Priest and Clerks meeting the Corpse at the entrance of the Church-yard, and going before it, either into the Church, or towards the Grave, shall say, or sing,*

I AM the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. *St. John* 11. 25, 26.

I KNOW that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth. And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another. *Job* 19. 25, 26, 27.

WE brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the Name of the Lord. 1 *Timothy* 6. 7. *Job* 1. 21.

¶ *After they are come into the Church, shall be read one or both of these Psalms following.*

Dixi, custodiam. Psalm 39.

I SAID, I will take heed to my ways: that I offend not in my tongue.

I will keep my mouth as it were with a bridle: while the ungodly is in my sight.

AT THE BURIAL OF THE DEAD.

I held my tongue, and spake nothing : I kept silence, yea, even from good words ; but it was pain and grief to me.

My heart was hot within me, and while I was thus musing the fire kindled : and at the last I spake with my tongue ;

Lord, let me know mine end, and the number of my days : that I may be certified how long I have to live.

Behold, thou hast made my days as it were a span long : and mine age is even as nothing in respect of thee ; and verily every man living is altogether vanity.

For man walketh in a vain shadow, and disquieteth himself in vain : he heapeth up riches, and cannot tell who shall gather them.

And now, Lord, what is my hope : truly my hope is even in thee.

Deliver me from all mine offences : and make me not a rebuke unto the foolish.

I became dumb, and opened not my mouth : for it was thy doing.

Take thy plague away from me : I am even consumed by means of thy heavy hand.

When thou with rebukes dost chasten man for sin, thou makest his beauty to consume away, like as it were a moth fretting a garment : every man therefore is but vanity.

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and with thine ears consider my calling : hold not thy peace at my tears.

For I am a stranger with thee : and a sojourner, as all my fathers were.

O spare me a little, that I may recover

my strength : before I go hence, and be no more seen.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

Domine, refugium. Psalm 90.

LORD, thou hast been our refuge : from one generation to another.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made : thou art God from everlasting, and world without end.

Thou turnest man to destruction : again thou sayest, Come again, ye children of men.

For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday : seeing that is past as a watch in the night.

As soon as thou scatterest them, they are even as a sleep : and fade away suddenly like the grass.

In the morning it is green, and groweth up : but in the evening it is cut down, dried up, and withered.

For we consume away in thy displeasure : and are afraid at thy wrathful indignation.

Thou hast set our misdeeds before thee : and our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.

For when thou art angry all our days are gone : we bring our years to an end, as it were a tale that is told.

AT THE BURIAL OF THE DEAD.

The days of our age are threescore years and ten; and though men be so strong, that they come to fourscore years: yet is their strength then but labour and sorrow; so soon passeth it away, and we are gone.

But who regardeth the power of thy wrath: for even thereafter as a man feareth, so is thy displeasure.

So teach us to number our days: that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last: and be gracious unto thy servants.

O satisfy us with thy mercy, and that soon: so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

Comfort us again now after the time that thou hast plagued us: and for the years wherein we have suffered adversity.

Shew thy servants thy work: and their children thy glory.

And the glorious Majesty of the Lord our God be upon us: prosper thou the work of our hands upon us, O prosper thou our handywork.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

¶ *Then shall follow the Lesson taken out of the fifteenth Chapter of the former Epistle of Saint Paul to the Corinthians.*

1 Corinthians 15. 20.

NOW is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first-fruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. But every man in his own order: Christ the first-fruits; afterward they that are Christ's, at his coming. Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule, and all authority, and power. For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet. The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death. For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith, all things are put under him, it is manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him. And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all. Else what shall they do which are baptized for the dead, if the dead rise not at all? Why are they then baptized for the dead? and why stand we in jeopardy every hour? I protest by your rejoicing, which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die daily. If after the manner of men I have fought with beasts at Ephesus, what advantageth it me, if the dead rise not? Let us eat and drink, for to-morrow we die. Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners. Awake to righteousness, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God. I speak this to your shame. But some man will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come? Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die. And that which thou sowest, thou sowest

not that body that shall be, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other grain: But God giveth it a body, as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body. All flesh is not the same flesh; but there is one kind of flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, and another of birds. There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial; but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another. There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for one star differeth from another star in glory. So also is the resurrection of the dead: It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: It is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body. And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit. Howbeit, that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual. The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven. As is the earthy, such are they that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly. And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I shew

you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump, (for the trumpet shall sound,) and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality; then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

¶ *When they come to the Grave, while the Corpse is made ready to be laid into the earth, the Priest shall say, or the Priest and Clerks shall sing:*

MAN that is born of a woman hath but a short time to live, and is full of misery. He cometh up, and is cut down, like a flower; he fleeth as it were a shadow, and never continueth in one stay.

In the midst of life we are in death: of whom may we seek for succour, but of thee, O Lord, who for our sins art justly displeased?

Yet, O Lord God most holy, O Lord most mighty, O holy and most merciful Saviour, deliver us not into the bitter pains of eternal death.

Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts; shut not thy merciful ears to our prayer; but spare us, Lord most holy, O God most mighty, O holy and merciful Saviour, thou most worthy Judge eternal, suffer us not, at our last hour, for any pains of death, to fall from thee.

¶ *Then, while the earth shall be cast upon the Body by some standing by, the Priest shall say,*

FORASMUCH as it hath pleased Almighty God of his great mercy to take unto himself the soul of our dear *brother* here departed, we therefore commit *his* body to the ground; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust; in sure and certain hope of the Resurrection to eternal life, through our Lord Jesus Christ; who shall change our vile body, that it may be like unto his glorious body, according to the mighty working, whereby he is able to subdue all things to himself.

¶ *Then shall be said or sung,*

I HEARD a voice from heaven, saying unto me, Write, From henceforth blessed are the dead which die in the Lord: even so saith the Spirit; for they rest from their labours.

¶ *Then the Priest shall say,*

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

AT THE BURIAL OF THE DEAD.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Priest.

ALMIGHTY God, with whom do live the spirits of them that depart hence in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burden of the flesh, are in joy and felicity; We give thee hearty thanks, for that it hath pleased thee to deliver this our *brother* out of the miseries of this sinful world; beseeching thee, that it may please thee, of thy gracious goodness, shortly to accomplish the number of thine elect, and to hasten thy kingdom; that we, with all those that are departed in the true faith of thy holy Name, may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in thy eternal and everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE COLLECT.

O MERCIFUL God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the resurrection and the life; in whom whosoever believeth shall live, though he die; and whosoever liveth, and believeth in him, shall not die eternally; who also hath taught us, by his holy Apostle Saint Paul,

not to be sorry, as men without hope, for them that sleep in him; We meekly beseech thee, O Father, to raise us from the death of sin unto the life of righteousness; that, when we shall depart this life, we may rest in him, as our hope is this our *brother* doth; and that, at the general Resurrection in the last day, we may be found acceptable in thy sight; and receive that blessing, which thy well-beloved Son shall then pronounce to all that love and fear thee, saying, Come, ye blessed children of my Father, receive the kingdom prepared for you from the beginning of the world: Grant this, we beseech thee, O merciful Father, through Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Redeemer. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

THE THANKSGIVING OF WOMEN AFTER CHILD-BIRTH, COMMONLY CALLED,

THE CHURCHING OF WOMEN.

¶ *The Woman, at the usual time after her Delivery, shall come into the Church decently apparelled, and there shall kneel down in some convenient place, as hath been accustomed, or as the Ordinary shall direct: And then the Priest shall say unto her,*

FORASMUCH as it hath pleased Almighty God of his goodness to give you safe deliverance, and hath preserved you in the great danger of Child-birth; you shall therefore give hearty thanks unto God, and say,

(¶ *Then shall the Priest say the* 116*th Psalm,*)

Dilexi quoniam.

I AM well pleased : that the Lord hath heard the voice of my prayer;

That he hath inclined his ear unto me : therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.

The snares of death compassed me round about : and the pains of hell gat hold upon me.

I found trouble and heaviness, and I called upon the Name of the Lord : O Lord, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.

Gracious is the Lord, and righteous : yea, our God is merciful.

The Lord preserveth the simple : I was in misery, and he helped me.

Turn again then unto thy rest, O my soul : for the Lord hath rewarded thee.

And why? thou hast delivered my soul from death : mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling.

I will walk before the Lord : in the land of the living.

I believed, and therefore will I speak; but I was sore troubled : I said in my haste, All men are liars.

What reward shall I give unto the Lord : for all the benefits that he hath done unto me?

I will receive the cup of salvation : and call upon the Name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people : in the courts of the Lord's house, even in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

Or, Psalm 127. *Nisi Dominus.*

EXCEPT the Lord build the house : their labour is but lost that build it.

Except the Lord keep the city : the watchman waketh but in vain.

It is but lost labour that ye haste to rise up early, and so late take rest, and eat the bread of carefulness : for so he giveth his beloved sleep.

Lo, children and the fruit of the womb : are an heritage and gift that cometh of the Lord.

Like as the arrows in the hand of the giant : even so are the young children.

Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them : they shall not be ashamed when they speak with their enemies in the gate.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Then the Priest shall say,*

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil : For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Minister. O Lord, save this woman thy servant ;
Answer. Who putteth her trust in thee.
Minister. Be thou to her a strong tower ;
Answer. From the face of her enemy.
Minister. Lord, hear our prayer.
Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Minister. Let us pray.

O ALMIGHTY God, we give thee humble thanks for that thou hast vouchsafed to deliver this woman thy servant from the great pain and peril of Child-birth ; Grant, we beseech thee, most merciful Father, that

she, through thy help, may both faithfully live, and walk according to thy will, in this life present; and also may be partaker of everlasting glory in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *The Woman, that cometh to give her Thanks, must offer accustomed Offerings; and, if there be a Communion, it is convenient that she receive the holy Communion.*

A COMMINATION,

OR DENOUNCING OF GOD'S ANGER AND JUDGEMENTS AGAINST SINNERS,

WITH CERTAIN PRAYERS

TO BE USED ON THE FIRST DAY OF LENT, AND AT OTHER TIMES, AS THE ORDINARY SHALL APPOINT.

¶ *After Morning Prayer, the Litany ended according to the accustomed manner, the Priest shall, in the Reading-Pew or Pulpit, say,*

BRETHREN, in the Primitive Church there was a godly discipline, that, at the beginning of Lent, such persons as stood convicted of notorious sin were put to open penance, and punished in this world, that their souls might be saved in the day of the Lord; and that others, admonished by their example, might be the more afraid to offend.

Instead whereof, until the said discipline may be restored again, (which is much to be wished,) it is thought good, that at this time (in the presence of you all) should be read

the general sentences of God's cursing against impenitent sinners, gathered out of the seven and twentieth Chapter of Deuteronomy, and other places of Scripture; and that ye should answer to every Sentence, *Amen:* To the intent that, being admonished of the great indignation of God against sinners, ye may the rather be moved to earnest and true repentance; and may walk more warily in these dangerous days; fleeing from such vices, for which ye affirm with your own mouths the curse of God to be due.

CURSED is the man that maketh any carved or molten image, to worship it.

¶ *And the people shall answer and say,* Amen.

Minister. Cursed is he that curseth his father or mother.

Answer. Amen.

Minister. Cursed is he that removeth his neighbour's land-mark.

Answer. Amen.

Minister. Cursed is he that maketh the blind to go out of his way.

Answer. Amen.

Minister. Cursed is he that perverteth the judgement of the stranger, the fatherless, and widow.

Answer. Amen.

Minister. Cursed is he that smiteth his neighbour secretly.

Answer. Amen.

Minister. Cursed is he that lieth with his neighbour's wife.

Answer. Amen.

Minister. Cursed is he that taketh reward to slay the innocent.

Answer. Amen.

Minister. Cursed is he that putteth his trust in man, and taketh man for his defence, and in his heart goeth from the Lord.

Answer. Amen.

Minister. Cursed are the unmerciful, fornicators, and adulterers, covetous persons, idolaters, slanderers, drunkards, and extortioners.

Answer. Amen.

Minister.

NOW seeing that all they are accursed (as the prophet David beareth witness) who do err and go astray from the commandments of God; let us (remembering the dreadful judgement hanging over our heads, and always ready to fall upon us) return unto our Lord God, with all contrition and meekness of heart; bewailing and lamenting our sinful life, acknowledging and confessing our offences, and seeking to bring forth worthy fruits of penance. For now is the axe put unto the root of the trees, so that every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God: he shall pour down rain upon the sinners, snares, fire and brimstone, storm and tempest; this shall be their portion to drink. For lo, the Lord is come out of his place to visit the wickedness of such as dwell upon the earth. But who may abide the day of his coming? Who shall be

able to endure when he appeareth? His fan is in his hand, and he will purge his floor. and gather his wheat into the barn; but he will burn the chaff with unquenchable fire. The day of the Lord cometh as a thief in the night: and when men shall say, Peace, and all things are safe, then shall sudden destruction come upon them, as sorrow cometh upon a woman travailing with child. and they shall not escape. Then shall appear the wrath of God in the day of vengeance, which obstinate sinners, through the stubbornness of their heart, have heaped unto themselves; which despised the goodness, patience, and long-sufferance of God, when he calleth them continually to repentance. Then shall they call upon me, (saith the Lord,) but I will not hear; they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me; and that, because they hated knowledge, and received not the fear of the Lord, but abhorred my counsel, and despised my correction. Then shall it be too late to knock when the door shall be shut; and too late to cry for mercy when it is the time of justice. O terrible voice of most just judgement, which shall be pronounced upon them, when it shall be said unto them, Go, ye cursed, into the fire everlasting, which is prepared for the devil and his angels. Therefore, brethren, take we heed betime, while the day of salvation lasteth; for the night cometh, when none can work. But let us, while we have the light, believe in the light, and walk as children of the light; that we be not cast into utter darkness,

where is weeping and gnashing of teeth. Let us not abuse the goodness of God, who calleth us mercifully to amendment, and of his endless pity promiseth us forgiveness of that which is past, if with a perfect and true heart we return unto him. For though our sins be as red as scarlet, they shall be made white as snow; and though they be like purple, yet they shall be made white as wool. Turn ye (saith the Lord) from all your wickedness, and your sin shall not be your destruction: Cast away from you all your ungodliness that ye have done: Make you new hearts, and a new spirit: Wherefore will ye die, O ye house of Israel, seeing that I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord God? Turn ye then, and ye shall live. Although we have sinned, yet have we an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins. For he was wounded for our offences, and smitten for our wickedness. Let us therefore return unto him, who is the merciful receiver of all true penitent sinners; assuring ourselves that he is ready to receive us, and most willing to pardon us, if we come unto him with faithful repentance; if we submit ourselves unto him, and from henceforth walk in his ways; if we will take his easy yoke, and light burden upon us, to follow him in lowliness, patience, and charity, and be ordered by the governance of his Holy Spirit; seeking always his glory, and serving him duly in our vocation with thanksgiving: This if we do, Christ will deliver us from

the curse of the law, and from the extreme malediction which shall light upon them that shall be set on the left hand; and he will set us on his right hand, and give us the gracious benediction of his Father, commanding us to take possession of his glorious kingdom: Unto which he vouchsafe to bring us all, for his infinite mercy. Amen.

¶ *Then shall they all kneel upon their knees, and the Priest and Clerks kneeling (in the place where they are accustomed to say the Litany) shall say this Psalm.*

Miserere mei, Deus. Psalm 51.

HAVE mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness: according to the multitude of thy mercies do away mine offences.

Wash me throughly from my wickedness: and cleanse me from my sin.

For I acknowledge my faults: and my sin is ever before me.

Against thee only have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified in thy saying, and clear when thou art judged.

Behold, I was shapen in wickedness: and in sin hath my mother conceived me.

But lo, thou requirest truth in the inward parts: and shalt make me to understand wisdom secretly.

Thou shalt purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness: that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.

A COMMINATION.

Turn thy face away from my sins : and put out all my misdeeds.

Make me a clean heart, O God : and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from thy presence : and take not thy holy Spirit from me.

O give me the comfort of thy help again : and stablish me with thy free Spirit.

Then shall I teach thy ways unto the wicked : and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, thou that art the God of my health : and my tongue shall sing of thy righteousness.

Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord : and my mouth shall shew thy praise.

For thou desirest no sacrifice, else would I give it thee : but thou delightest not in burnt-offerings.

The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit : a broken and contrite heart, O God, shalt thou not despise.

O be favourable and gracious unto Sion : build thou the walls of Jerusalem.

Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifice of righteousness, with the burnt-offerings and oblations : then shall they offer young bullocks upon thine altar.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

A COMMINATION.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Minister. O Lord, save thy servants;
Answer. That put their trust in thee.
Minister. Send unto them help from above.
Answer. And evermore mightily defend them.
Minister. Help us, O God our Saviour.
Answer. And for the glory of thy Name deliver us; be merciful to us sinners, for thy Name's sake.
Minister. O Lord, hear our prayer.
Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Minister. Let us pray.

O LORD, we beseech thee, mercifully hear our prayers, and spare all those who confess their sins unto thee; that they, whose consciences by sin are accused, by thy merciful pardon may be absolved; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O MOST mighty God, and merciful Father, who hast compassion upon all men, and hatest nothing that thou hast made; who wouldest not the death of a sinner, but that he should rather turn from his sin, and be saved; Mercifully forgive us our trespasses; receive and comfort us, who are grieved and wearied with the burden of our sins. Thy property is always to have mercy;

to thee only it appertaineth to forgive sins. Spare us therefore, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed; enter not into judgement with thy servants, who are vile earth, and miserable sinners; but so turn thine anger from us, who meekly acknowledge our vileness, and truly repent us of our faults, and so make haste to help us in this world, that we may ever live with thee in the world to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the people say this that followeth, after the Minister.*

TURN thou us, O good Lord, and so shall we be turned. Be favourable, O Lord, Be favourable to thy people, Who turn to thee in weeping, fasting, and praying. For thou art a merciful God, Full of compassion, Long-suffering, and of great pity. Thou sparest when we deserve punishment, And in thy wrath thinkest upon mercy. Spare thy people good Lord, spare them, And let not thine heritage be brought to confusion. Hear us, O Lord, for thy mercy is great, And after the multitude of thy mercies look upon us; Through the merits and mediation of thy blessed Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Then the Minister alone shall say,*

THE Lord bless us, and keep us; the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace, now and for evermore. *Amen.*

THE
PSALMS OF DAVID.

THE FIRST DAY.

Morning Prayer.

PSALM 1. *Beatus vir, qui non abiit &c.*

BLESSED is the man that hath not walked in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stood in the way of sinners : and hath not sat in the seat of the scornful.

2 But his delight is in the law of the Lord : and in his law will he exercise himself day and night.

3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the water-side : that will bring forth his fruit in due season.

4 His leaf also shall not wither : and look, whatsoever he doeth, it shall prosper.

5 As for the ungodly, it is not so with them : but they are like the chaff, which the wind scattereth away from the face of the earth.

6 Therefore the ungodly shall not be able to stand in the judgement : neither the sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

7 But the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous : and the way of the ungodly shall perish.

PSALM 2. *Quare fremuerunt gentes ?*

WHY do the heathen so furiously rage together : and why do the people imagine a vain thing?

2 The kings of the earth stand up, and the rulers take counsel together : against the Lord, and against his Anointed.

3 Let us break their bonds asunder : and cast away their cords from us.

4 He that dwelleth in heaven shall laugh them to scorn : the Lord shall have them in derision.

5 Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath : and vex them in his sore displeasure.

6 Yet have I set my King : upon my holy hill of Sion.

7 I will preach the law, whereof the Lord hath said unto me : Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee.

8 Desire of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance : and the utmost parts of the earth for thy possession.

9 Thou shalt bruise them with a rod of iron : and break them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

10 Be wise now therefore, O ye kings : be learned, ye that are judges of the earth.

11 Serve the Lord in fear : and rejoice unto him with reverence.

12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and so ye perish from the right way : if his wrath be kindled, (yea, but a little,) blessed are all they that put their trust in him.

PSALM 3. *Domine, quid multiplicati?*

LORD, how are they increased that trouble me : many are they that rise against me.

2 Many one there be that say of my soul : There is no help for him in his God.

3 But thou, O Lord, art my defender : thou art my worship, and the lifter up of my head.
4 I did call upon the Lord with my voice : and he heard me out of his holy hill.
5 I laid me down and slept, and rose up again : for the Lord sustained me.
6 I will not be afraid for ten thousands of the people : that have set themselves against me round about.
7 Up, Lord, and help me, O my God : for thou smitest all mine enemies upon the cheek-bone ; thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly.
8 Salvation belongeth unto the Lord : and thy blessing is upon thy people.

PSALM 4. *Cum invocarem.*

HEAR me when I call, O God of my righteousness : thou hast set me at liberty when I was in trouble ; have mercy upon me, and hearken unto my prayer.
2 O ye sons of men, how long will ye blaspheme mine honour : and have such pleasure in vanity, and seek after leasing ?
3 Know this also, that the Lord hath chosen to himself the man that is godly : when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.
4 Stand in awe, and sin not : commune with your own heart, and in your chamber, and be still.
5 Offer the sacrifice of righteousness : and put your trust in the Lord.
6 There be many that say : Who will shew us any good ?
7 Lord, lift thou up : the light of thy countenance upon us.

8 Thou hast put gladness in my heart : since the time that their corn, and wine, and oil, increased.

9 I will lay me down in peace, and take my rest : for it is thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

PSALM 5. *Verba mea auribus.*

PONDER my words, O Lord : consider my meditation.

2 O hearken thou unto the voice of my calling, my King, and my God : for unto thee will I make my prayer.

3 My voice shalt thou hear betimes, O Lord : early in the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up.

4 For thou art the God that hast no pleasure in wickedness : neither shall any evil dwell with thee.

5 Such as be foolish shall not stand in thy sight : for thou hatest all them that work vanity.

6 Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing : the Lord will abhor both the blood-thirsty and deceitful man.

7 But as for me, I will come into thine house, even upon the multitude of thy mercy : and in thy fear will I worship toward thy holy temple.

8 Lead me, O Lord, in thy righteousness, because of mine enemies : make thy way plain before my face.

9 For there is no faithfulness in his mouth : their inward parts are very wickedness.

10 Their throat is an open sepulchre : they flatter with their tongue.

11 Destroy thou them, O God; let them perish through their own imaginations : cast them out in the multitude of their ungodliness ; for they have rebelled against thee.

12 And let all them that put their trust in thee rejoice : they shall ever be giving of thanks, because thou defendest them; they that love thy Name shall be joyful in thee;

13 For thou, Lord, wilt give thy blessing unto the righteous : and with thy favourable kindness wilt thou defend him as with a shield.

Day 1. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 6. *Domine, ne in furore.*

O LORD, rebuke me not in thine indignation : neither chasten me in thy displeasure.

2 Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am weak : O Lord, heal me, for my bones are vexed.

3 My soul also is sore troubled : but, Lord, how long wilt thou punish me?

4 Turn thee, O Lord, and deliver my soul : O save me for thy mercy's sake.

5 For in death no man remembereth thee : and who will give thee thanks in the pit?

6 I am weary of my groaning; every night wash I my bed : and water my couch with my tears.

7 My beauty is gone for very trouble : and worn away because of all mine enemies.

8 Away from me, all ye that work vanity :

for the Lord hath heard the voice of my weeping.
9 The Lord hath heard my petition : the Lord will receive my prayer.
10 All mine enemies shall be confounded, and sore vexed : they shall be turned back, and put to shame suddenly.

PSALM 7. *Domine, Deus meus.*

O LORD my God, in thee have I put my trust : save me from all them that persecute me, and deliver me ;
2 Lest he devour my soul, like a lion, and tear it in pieces : while there is none to help.
3 O Lord my God, if I have done any such thing : or if there be any wickedness in my hands ;
4 If I have rewarded evil unto him that dealt friendly with me : yea, I have delivered him that without any cause is mine enemy ;
5 Then let mine enemy persecute my soul, and take me : yea, let him tread my life down upon the earth, and lay mine honour in the dust.
6 Stand up, O Lord, in thy wrath, and lift up thyself, because of the indignation of mine enemies : arise up for me in the judgement that thou hast commanded.
7 And so shall the congregation of the people come about thee : for their sakes therefore lift up thyself again.
8 The Lord shall judge the people ; give sentence with me, O Lord : according to my righteousness, and according to the innocency that is in me.

9 O let the wickedness of the ungodly come to an end : but guide thou the just.
10 For the righteous God : trieth the very hearts and reins.
11 My help cometh of God : who preserveth them that are true of heart.
12 God is a righteous Judge, strong, and patient : and God is provoked every day.
13 If a man will not turn, he will whet his sword : he hath bent his bow, and made it ready.
14 He hath prepared for him the instruments of death : he ordaineth his arrows against the persecutors.
15 Behold, he travaileth with mischief : he hath conceived sorrow, and brought forth ungodliness.
16 He hath graven and digged up a pit : and is fallen himself into the destruction that he made for other.
17 For his travail shall come upon his own head : and his wickedness shall fall on his own pate.
18 I will give thanks unto the Lord, according to his righteousness : and I will praise the Name of the Lord most High.

PSALM 8. *Domine, Dominus noster.*

O LORD our Governor, how excellent is thy Name in all the world : thou that hast set thy glory above the heavens!
2 Out of the mouth of very babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength, because of thine enemies : that thou mightest still the enemy, and the avenger.
3 For I will consider thy heavens, even the

works of thy fingers : the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained.
4 What is man, that thou art mindful of him : and the son of man, that thou visitest him ?
5 Thou madest him lower than the angels : to crown him with glory and worship.
6 Thou makest him to have dominion of the works of thy hands : and thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet ;
7 All sheep and oxen : yea, and the beasts of the field ;
8 The fowls of the air, and the fishes of the sea : and whatsoever walketh through the paths of the seas.
9 O Lord our Governor : how excellent is thy Name in all the world !

Day 2. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 9. *Confitebor tibi.*

I WILL give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart : I will speak of all thy marvellous works.
2 I will be glad and rejoice in thee : yea, my songs will I make of thy Name, O thou most Highest.
3 While mine enemies are driven back : they shall fall and perish at thy presence.
4 For thou hast maintained my right and my cause : thou art set in the throne that judgest right.
5 Thou hast rebuked the heathen, and destroyed the ungodly : thou hast put out their name for ever and ever.

6 O thou enemy, destructions are come to a perpetual end : even as the cities which thou hast destroyed ; their memorial is perished with them.

7 But the Lord shall endure for ever : he hath also prepared his seat for judgement.

8 For he shall judge the world in righteousness : and minister true judgement unto the people.

9 The Lord also will be a defence for the oppressed : even a refuge in due time of trouble.

10 And they that know thy Name will put their trust in thee : for thou, Lord, hast never failed them that seek thee.

11 O praise the Lord which dwelleth in Sion : shew the people of his doings.

12 For, when he maketh inquisition for blood, he remembereth them : and forgetteth not the complaint of the poor.

13 Have mercy upon me, O Lord ; consider the trouble which I suffer of them that hate me : thou that liftest me up from the gates of death.

14 That I may shew all thy praises within the ports of the daughter of Sion : I will rejoice in thy salvation.

15 The heathen are sunk down in the pit that they made : in the same net which they hid privily, is their foot taken.

16 The Lord is known to execute judgement : the ungodly is trapped in the work of his own hands.

17 The wicked shall be turned into hell : and all the people that forget God.

18 For the poor shall not alway be forgotten :

the patient abiding of the meek shall not perish for ever.
19 Up, Lord, and let not man have the upper hand : let the heathen be judged in thy sight.
20 Put them in fear, O Lord : that the heathen may know themselves to be but men.

PSALM 10. *Ut quid, Domine?*

WHY standest thou so far off, O Lord : and hidest thy face in the needful time of trouble?
2 The ungodly for his own lust doth persecute the poor : let them be taken in the crafty wiliness that they have imagined.
3 For the ungodly hath made boast of his own heart's desire : and speaketh good of the covetous, whom God abhorreth.
4 The ungodly is so proud, that he careth not for God : neither is God in all his thoughts.
5 His ways are alway grievous : thy judgements are far above out of his sight, and therefore defieth he all his enemies.
6 For he hath said in his heart, Tush, I shall never be cast down : there shall no harm happen unto me.
7 His mouth is full of cursing, deceit, and fraud : under his tongue is ungodliness and vanity.
8 He sitteth lurking in the thievish corners of the streets : and privily in his lurking dens doth he murder the innocent; his eyes are set against the poor.
9 For he lieth waiting secretly, even as

a lion lurketh he in his den : that he may ravish the poor.
10 He doth ravish the poor : when he getteth him into his net.
11 He falleth down, and humbleth himself : that the congregation of the poor may fall into the hands of his captains.
12 He hath said in his heart, Tush, God hath forgotten : he hideth away his face, and he will never see it.
13 Arise, O Lord God, and lift up thine hand : forget not the poor.
14 Wherefore should the wicked blaspheme God : while he doth say in his heart, Tush, thou God carest not for it.
15 Surely thou hast seen it : for thou beholdest ungodliness and wrong.
16 That thou mayest take the matter into thine hand : the poor committeth himself unto thee; for thou art the helper of the friendless.
17 Break thou the power of the ungodly and malicious : take away his ungodliness, and thou shalt find none.
18 The Lord is King for ever and ever : and the heathen are perished out of the land.
19 Lord, thou hast heard the desire of the poor : thou preparest their heart, and thine ear hearkeneth thereto;
20 To help the fatherless and poor unto their right : that the man of the earth be no more exalted against them.

PSALM 11. *In Domino confido.*

IN the Lord put I my trust : how say ye then to my soul, that she should flee as a bird unto the hill?

2 For lo, the ungodly bend their bow, and make ready their arrows within the quiver : that they may privily shoot at them which are true of heart.

3 For the foundations will be cast down : and what hath the righteous done?

4 The Lord is in his holy temple : the Lord's seat is in heaven.

5 His eyes consider the poor : and his eyelids try the children of men.

6 The Lord alloweth the righteous : but the ungodly, and him that delighteth in wickedness doth his soul abhor.

7 Upon the ungodly he shall rain snares, fire and brimstone, storm and tempest : this shall be their portion to drink.

8 For the righteous Lord loveth righteousness : his countenance will behold the thing that is just.

Day 2. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 12. *Salvum me fac.*

HELP me, Lord, for there is not one godly man left : for the faithful are minished from among the children of men.

2 They talk of vanity every one with his neighbour : they do but flatter with their lips, and dissemble in their double heart.

3 The Lord shall root out all deceitful lips : and the tongue that speaketh proud things ;

4 Which have said, With our tongue will we prevail : we are they that ought to speak, who is lord over us?

5 Now for the comfortless troubles' sake of

the needy : and because of the deep sighing of the poor,

6 I will up, saith the Lord : and will help every one from him that swelleth against him, and will set him at rest.

7 The words of the Lord are pure words : even as the silver, which from the earth is tried, and purified seven times in the fire.

8 Thou shalt keep them, O Lord : thou shalt preserve him from this generation for ever.

9 The ungodly walk on every side : when they are exalted, the children of men are put to rebuke.

PSALM 13. *Usque quo, Domine?*

HOW long wilt thou forget me, O Lord, for ever : how long wilt thou hide thy face from me?

2 How long shall I seek counsel in my soul, and be so vexed in my heart : how long shall mine enemies triumph over me?

3 Consider, and hear me, O Lord my God : lighten mine eyes, that I sleep not in death.

4 Lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him : for if I be cast down, they that trouble me will rejoice at it.

5 But my trust is in thy mercy : and my heart is joyful in thy salvation.

6 I will sing of the Lord, because he hath dealt so lovingly with me : yea, I will praise the Name of the Lord most Highest.

PSALM 14. *Dixit insipiens.*

THE fool hath said in his heart : There is no God.

2 They are corrupt, and become abominable
in their doings : there is none that doeth
good, no not one.
3 The Lord looked down from heaven
upon the children of men : to see if there
were any that would understand, and seek
after God.
4 But they are all gone out of the way, they
are altogether become abominable : there is
none that doeth good, no not one.
5 Their throat is an open sepulchre, with
their tongues have they deceived : the poison
of asps is under their lips.
6 Their mouth is full of cursing and bitter-
ness : their feet are swift to shed blood.
7 Destruction and unhappiness is in their
ways, and the way of peace have they not
known : there is no fear of God before their
eyes.
8 Have they no knowledge, that they are
all such workers of mischief : eating up my
people as it were bread, and call not upon
the Lord ?
9 There were they brought in great fear,
even where no fear was : for God is in the
generation of the righteous.
10 As for you, ye have made a mock at the
counsel of the poor : because he putteth his
trust in the Lord.
11 Who shall give salvation unto Israel out
of Sion ? When the Lord turneth the cap-
tivity of his people : then shall Jacob rejoice,
and Israel shall be glad.

Day 3. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 15. *Domine, quis habitabit?*

LORD, who shall dwell in thy tabernacle : or who shall rest upon thy holy hill?
2 Even he, that leadeth an uncorrupt life : and doeth the thing which is right, and speaketh the truth from his heart.
3 He that hath used no deceit in his tongue, nor done evil to his neighbour : and hath not slandered his neighbour.
4 He that setteth not by himself, but is lowly in his own eyes : and maketh much of them that fear the Lord.
5 He that sweareth unto his neighbour, and disappointeth him not : though it were to his own hindrance.
6 He that hath not given his money upon usury : nor taken reward against the innocent.
7 Whoso doeth these things : shall never fall.

PSALM 16. *Conserva me, Domine.*

PRESERVE me, O God : for in thee have I put my trust.
2 O my soul, thou hast said unto the Lord : Thou art my God, my goods are nothing unto thee.
3 All my delight is upon the saints, that are in the earth : and upon such as excel in virtue.
4 But they that run after another god : shall have great trouble.
5 Their drink-offerings of blood will I not

offer : neither make mention of their names within my lips.
6 The Lord himself is the portion of mine inheritance, and of my cup : thou shalt maintain my lot.
7 The lot is fallen unto me in a fair ground : yea, I have a goodly heritage.
8 I will thank the Lord for giving me warning : my reins also chasten me in the night-season.
9 I have set God always before me : for he is on my right hand, therefore I shall not fall.
10 Wherefore my heart was glad, and my glory rejoiced : my flesh also shall rest in hope.
11 For why? thou shalt not leave my soul in hell : neither shalt thou suffer thy Holy One to see corruption.
12 Thou shalt shew me the path of life; in thy presence is the fulness of joy : and at thy right hand there is pleasure for evermore.

PSALM 17. *Exaudi, Domine.*

HEAR the right, O Lord, consider my complaint : and hearken unto my prayer, that goeth not out of feigned lips.
2 Let my sentence come forth from thy presence : and let thine eyes look upon the thing that is equal.
3 Thou hast proved and visited mine heart in the night-season; thou hast tried me, and shalt find no wickedness in me : for I am utterly purposed that my mouth shall not offend.
4 Because of men's works, that are done a-

gainst the words of thy lips : I have kept me from the ways of the destroyer.
5 O hold thou up my goings in thy paths : that my footsteps slip not.
6 I have called upon thee, O God, for thou shalt hear me : incline thine ear to me, and hearken unto my words.
7 Shew thy marvellous loving-kindness, thou that art the Saviour of them which put their trust in thee : from such as resist thy right hand.
8 Keep me as the apple of an eye : hide me under the shadow of thy wings,
9 From the ungodly that trouble me : mine enemies compass me round about to take away my soul.
10 They are inclosed in their own fat : and their mouth speaketh proud things.
11 They lie waiting in our way on every side : turning their eyes down to the ground ;
12 Like as a lion that is greedy of his prey : and as it were a lion's whelp, lurking in secret places.
13 Up, Lord, disappoint him, and cast him down : deliver my soul from the ungodly, which is a sword of thine ;
14 From the men of thy hand, O Lord, from the men, I say, and from the evil world : which have their portion in this life, whose bellies thou fillest with thy hid treasure.
15 They have children at their desire : and leave the rest of their substance for their babes.
16 But as for me, I will behold thy presence in righteousness : and when I awake

up after thy likeness, I shall be satisfied with it.

Day 3. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 18. *Diligam te, Domine.*

I WILL love thee, O Lord, my strength; the Lord is my stony rock, and my defence : my Saviour, my God, and my might, in whom I will trust, my buckler, the horn also of my salvation, and my refuge.

2 I will call upon the Lord, which is worthy to be praised : so shall I be safe from mine enemies.

3 The sorrows of death compassed me : and the overflowings of ungodliness made me afraid.

4 The pains of hell came about me : the snares of death overtook me.

5 In my trouble I will call upon the Lord : and complain unto my God.

6 So shall he hear my voice out of his holy temple : and my complaint shall come before him, it shall enter even into his ears.

7 The earth trembled and quaked : the very foundations also of the hills shook, and were removed, because he was wroth.

8 There went a smoke out in his presence : and a consuming fire out of his mouth, so that coals were kindled at it.

9 He bowed the heavens also, and came down : and it was dark under his feet.

10 He rode upon the cherubims, and did fly : he came flying upon the wings of the wind.

11 He made darkness his secret place : his pavilion round about him with dark water, and thick clouds to cover him.

12 At the brightness of his presence his clouds removed : hail-stones, and coals of fire.

13 The Lord also thundered out of heaven, and the Highest gave his thunder : hail-stones, and coals of fire.

14 He sent out his arrows, and scattered them : he cast forth lightnings, and destroyed them.

15 The springs of waters were seen, and the foundations of the round world were discovered, at thy chiding, O Lord : at the blasting of the breath of thy displeasure.

16 He shall send down from on high to fetch me : and shall take me out of many waters.

17 He shall deliver me from my strongest enemy, and from them which hate me : for they are too mighty for me.

18 They prevented me in the day of my trouble : but the Lord was my upholder.

19 He brought me forth also into a place of liberty : he brought me forth, even because he had a favour unto me.

20 The Lord shall reward me after my righteous dealing : according to the cleanness of my hands shall he recompense me.

21 Because I have kept the ways of the Lord : and have not forsaken my God, as the wicked doth.

22 For I have an eye unto all his laws : and will not cast out his commandments from me.

23 I was also uncorrupt before him : and eschewed mine own wickedness.
24 Therefore shall the Lord reward me after my righteous dealing : and according unto the cleanness of my hands in his eyesight.
25 With the holy thou shalt be holy : and with a perfect man thou shalt be perfect.
26 With the clean thou shalt be clean : and with the froward thou shalt learn frowardness.
27 For thou shalt save the people that are in adversity : and shalt bring down the high looks of the proud.
28 Thou also shalt light my candle : the Lord my God shall make my darkness to be light.
29 For in thee I shall discomfit an host of men : and with the help of my God I shall leap over the wall.
30 The way of God is an undefiled way : the word of the Lord also is tried in the fire ; he is the defender of all them that put their trust in him.
31 For who is God, but the Lord : or who hath any strength, except our God ?
32 It is God, that girdeth me with strength of war : and maketh my way perfect.
33 He maketh my feet like harts' feet : and setteth me up on high.
34 He teacheth mine hands to fight : and mine arms shall break even a bow of steel.
35 Thou hast given me the defence of thy salvation : thy right hand also shall hold me up, and thy loving correction shall make me great.

36 Thou shalt make room enough under me for to go : that my footsteps shall not slide.
37 I will follow upon mine enemies, and overtake them : neither will I turn again till I have destroyed them.
38 I will smite them, that they shall not be able to stand : but fall under my feet.
39 Thou hast girded me with strength unto the battle : thou shalt throw down mine enemies under me.
40 Thou hast made mine enemies also to turn their backs upon me : and I shall destroy them that hate me.
41 They shall cry, but there shall be none to help them : yea, even unto the Lord shall they cry, but he shall not hear them.
42 I will beat them as small as the dust before the wind : I will cast them out as the clay in the streets.
43 Thou shalt deliver me from the strivings of the people : and thou shalt make me the head of the heathen.
44 A people whom I have not known : shall serve me.
45 As soon as they hear of me, they shall obey me : but the strange children shall dissemble with me.
46 The strange children shall fail : and be afraid out of their prisons.
47 The Lord liveth, and blessed be my strong helper : and praised be the God of my salvation.
48 Even the God that seeth that I be avenged : and subdueth the people unto me.
49 It is he that delivereth me from my cruel enemies, and setteth me up above mine

adversaries : thou shalt rid me from the wicked man.
50 For this cause will I give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the Gentiles : and sing praises unto thy Name.
51 Great prosperity giveth he unto his King : and sheweth loving-kindness unto David his Anointed, and unto his seed for evermore.

Day 4. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 19. *Cœli enarrant.*

THE heavens declare the glory of God : and the firmament sheweth his handy-work.
2 One day telleth another : and one night certifieth another.
3 There is neither speech nor language : but their voices are heard among them.
4 Their sound is gone out into all lands : and their words into the ends of the world.
5 In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun : which cometh forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a giant to run his course.
6 It goeth forth from the uttermost part of the heaven, and runneth about unto the end of it again : and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.
7 The law of the Lord is an undefiled law, converting the soul : the testimony of the Lord is sure, and giveth wisdom unto the simple.
8 The statutes of the Lord are right, and

rejoice the heart : the commandment of the Lord is pure, and giveth light unto the eyes.
9 The fear of the Lord is clean, and endureth for ever : the judgements of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.
10 More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold : sweeter also than honey, and the honey-comb.
11 Moreover, by them is thy servant taught : and in keeping of them there is great reward.
12 Who can tell how oft he offendeth : O cleanse thou me from my secret faults.
13 Keep thy servant also from presumptuous sins, lest they get the dominion over me : so shall I be undefiled, and innocent from the great offence.
14 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart : be alway acceptable in thy sight,
15 O Lord : my strength, and my redeemer.

PSALM 20. *Exaudiat te Dominus.*

THE Lord hear thee in the day of trouble : the Name of the God of Jacob defend thee ;
2 Send thee help from the sanctuary : and strengthen thee out of Sion ;
3 Remember all thy offerings : and accept thy burnt-sacrifice ;
4 Grant thee thy heart's desire : and fulfil all thy mind.
5 We will rejoice in thy salvation, and triumph in the Name of the Lord our God : the Lord perform all thy petitions.
6 Now know I, that the Lord helpeth his Anointed and will hear him from his holy

heaven : even with the wholesome strength of his right hand.
7 Some put their trust in chariots, and some in horses : but we will remember the Name of the Lord our God.
8 They are brought down, and fallen : but we are risen, and stand upright.
9 Save, Lord, and hear us, O King of heaven : when we call upon thee.

PSALM 21. *Domine, in virtute tua.*

THE King shall rejoice in thy strength, O Lord : exceeding glad shall he be of thy salvation.
2 Thou hast given him his heart's desire : and hast not denied him the request of his lips.
3 For thou shalt prevent him with the blessings of goodness : and shalt set a crown of pure gold upon his head.
4 He asked life of thee, and thou gavest him a long life : even for ever and ever.
5 His honour is great in thy salvation : glory and great worship shalt thou lay upon him.
6 For thou shalt give him everlasting felicity : and make him glad with the joy of thy countenance.
7 And why? because the King putteth his trust in the Lord : and in the mercy of the most Highest he shall not miscarry.
8 All thine enemies shall feel thy hand : thy right hand shall find out them that hate thee.
9 Thou shalt make them like a fiery oven in time of thy wrath : the Lord shall destroy them in his displeasure, and the fire shall consume them.

10 Their fruit shalt thou root out of the earth : and their seed from among the children of men.

11 For they intended mischief against thee : and imagined such a device as they are not able to perform.

12 Therefore shalt thou put them to flight : and the strings of thy bow shalt thou make ready against the face of them.

13 Be thou exalted, Lord, in thine own strength : so will we sing, and praise thy power.

Day 4. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 22. *Deus, Deus meus.*

MY God, my God, look upon me ; why hast thou forsaken me : and art so far from my health, and from the words of my complaint?

2 O my God, I cry in the day-time, but thou hearest not : and in the night-season also I take no rest.

3 And thou continuest holy : O thou worship of Israel.

4 Our fathers hoped in thee : they trusted in thee, and thou didst deliver them.

5 They called upon thee, and were holpen : they put their trust in thee, and were not confounded.

6 But as for me, I am a worm, and no man : a very scorn of men, and the out-cast of the people.

7 All they that see me laugh me to scorn : they shoot out their lips, and shake their heads, saying,

8 He trusted in God, that he would deliver him : let him deliver him, if he will have him.
9 But thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb : thou wast my hope, when I hanged yet upon my mother's breasts.
10 I have been left unto thee ever since I was born : thou art my God even from my mother's womb.
11 O go not from me, for trouble is hard at hand : and there is none to help me.
12 Many oxen are come about me : fat bulls of Basan close me in on every side.
13 They gape upon me with their mouths : as it were a ramping and a roaring lion.
14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint : my heart also in the midst of my body is even like melting wax.
15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue cleaveth to my gums : and thou shalt bring me into the dust of death.
16 For many dogs are come about me : and the council of the wicked layeth siege against me.
17 They pierced my hands and my feet ; I may tell all my bones : they stand staring and looking upon me.
18 They part my garments among them : and cast lots upon my vesture.
19 But be not thou far from me, O Lord : thou art my succour, haste thee to help me.
20 Deliver my soul from the sword : my darling from the power of the dog.
21 Save me from the lion's mouth : thou hast heard me also from among the horns of the unicorns.
22 I will declare thy Name unto my bre-

thren : in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.
23 O praise the Lord, ye that fear him : magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob, and fear him, all ye seed of Israel;
24 For he hath not despised, nor abhorred, the low estate of the poor : he hath not hid his face from him, but when he called unto him he heard him.
25 My praise is of thee in the great congregation : my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him.
26 The poor shall eat, and be satisfied : they that seek after the Lord shall praise him; your heart shall live for ever.
27 All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto the Lord : and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him.
28 For the kingdom is the Lord's : and he is the Governor among the people.
29 All such as be fat upon earth : have eaten, and worshipped.
30 All they that go down into the dust shall kneel before him : and no man hath quickened his own soul.
31 My seed shall serve him : they shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation.
32 They shall come, and the heavens shall declare his righteousness : unto a people that shall be born, whom the Lord hath made.

PSALM 23. *Dominus regit me.*

THE Lord is my shepherd : therefore can I lack nothing.

2 He shall feed me in a green pasture : and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

3 He shall convert my soul : and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil : for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me : thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

6 But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life : and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Day 5. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 24. *Domini est terra.*

THE earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is : the compass of the world, and they that dwell therein.

2 For he hath founded it upon the seas : and prepared it upon the floods.

3 Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord : or who shall rise up in his holy place?

4 Even he that hath clean hands, and a pure heart : and that hath not lift up his mind unto vanity, nor sworn to deceive his neighbour.

5 He shall receive the blessing from the Lord : and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

6 This is the generation of them that seek

him : even of them that seek thy face, O Jacob.
7 Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors : and the King of glory shall come in.
8 Who is the King of glory : it is the Lord strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle.
9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors : and the King of glory shall come in.
10 Who is the King of glory : even the Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

PSALM 25. *Ad te, Domine, levavi.*

UNTO thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul; my God, I have put my trust in thee : O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me.
2 For all they that hope in thee shall not be ashamed : but such as transgress without a cause shall be put to confusion.
3 Shew me thy ways, O Lord : and teach me thy paths.
4 Lead me forth in thy truth, and learn me : for thou art the God of my salvation ; in thee hath been my hope all the day long.
5 Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercies : and thy loving-kindnesses, which have been ever of old.
6 O remember not the sins and offences of my youth : but according to thy mercy think thou upon me, O Lord, for thy goodness.
7 Gracious and righteous is the Lord : therefore will he teach sinners in the way.
8 Them that are meek shall he guide in

judgement : and such as are gentle, them shall he learn his way.
9 All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth : unto such as keep his covenant, and his testimonies.
10 For thy Name's sake, O Lord : be merciful unto my sin, for it is great.
11 What man is he, that feareth the Lord : him shall he teach in the way that he shall choose.
12 His soul shall dwell at ease : and his seed shall inherit the land.
13 The secret of the Lord is among them that fear him : and he will shew them his covenant.
14 Mine eyes are ever looking unto the Lord : for he shall pluck my feet out of the net.
15 Turn thee unto me, and have mercy upon me : for I am desolate, and in misery.
16 The sorrows of my heart are enlarged : O bring thou me out of my troubles.
17 Look upon my adversity and misery : and forgive me all my sin.
18 Consider mine enemies, how many they are : and they bear a tyrannous hate against me.
19 O keep my soul, and deliver me : let me not be confounded, for I have put my trust in thee.
20 Let perfectness and righteous dealing wait upon me : for my hope hath been in thee.
21 Deliver Israel, O God : out of all his troubles.

PSALM 26. *Judica me, Domine.*

BE thou my judge, O Lord, for I have walked innocently : my trust hath been also in the Lord, therefore shall I not fall.
2 Examine me, O Lord, and prove me : try out my reins and my heart.
3 For thy loving-kindness is ever before mine eyes : and I will walk in thy truth.
4 I have not dwelt with vain persons : neither will I have fellowship with the deceitful.
5 I have hated the congregation of the wicked : and will not sit among the ungodly.
6 I will wash my hands in innocency, O Lord : and so will I go to thine altar ;
7 That I may shew the voice of thanksgiving : and tell of all thy wondrous works.
8 Lord, I have loved the habitation of thy house : and the place where thine honour dwelleth.
9 O shut not up my soul with the sinners : nor my life with the bloodthirsty ;
10 In whose hands is wickedness : and their right hand is full of gifts.
11 But as for me, I will walk innocently : O deliver me, and be merciful unto me.
12 My foot standeth right : I will praise the Lord in the congregations.

Day 5. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 27. *Dominus illuminatio.*

THE Lord is my light, and my salvation ; whom then shall I fear : the Lord is the strength of my life ; of whom then shall I be afraid ?

2 When the wicked, even mine enemies, and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh : they stumbled and fell.

3 Though an host of men were laid against me, yet shall not my heart be afraid : and though there rose up war against me, yet will I put my trust in him.

4 One thing have I desired of the Lord, which I will require : even that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the fair beauty of the Lord, and to visit his temple.

5 For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his tabernacle : yea, in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me, and set me up upon a rock of stone.

6 And now shall he lift up mine head : above mine enemies round about me.

7 Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation with great gladness : I will sing, and speak praises unto the Lord.

8 Hearken unto my voice, O Lord, when I cry unto thee : have mercy upon me, and hear me.

9 My heart hath talked of thee, Seek ye my face : Thy face, Lord, will I seek.

10 O hide not thou thy face from me : nor cast thy servant away in displeasure.

11 Thou hast been my succour : leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.

12 When my father and my mother forsake me : the Lord taketh me up.

13 Teach me thy way, O Lord : and lead me in the right way, because of mine enemies.

14 Deliver me not over into the will of

mine adversaries : for there are false witnesses risen up against me, and such as speak wrong.
15 I should utterly have fainted : but that I believe verily to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.
16 O tarry thou the Lord's leisure : be strong, and he shall comfort thine heart; and put thou thy trust in the Lord.

PSALM 28. *Ad te, Domine.*

UNTO thee will I cry, O Lord my strength : think no scorn of me; lest, if thou make as though thou hearest not, I become like them that go down into the pit.
2 Hear the voice of my humble petitions, when I cry unto thee : when I hold up my hands towards the mercy-seat of thy holy temple.
3 O pluck me not away, neither destroy me with the ungodly and wicked doers : which speak friendly to their neighbours, but imagine mischief in their hearts.
4 Reward them according to their deeds : and according to the wickedness of their own inventions.
5 Recompense them after the work of their hands : pay them that they have deserved.
6 For they regard not in their mind the works of the Lord, nor the operation of his hands : therefore shall he break them down, and not build them up.
7 Praised be the Lord : for he hath heard the voice of my humble petitions.
8 The Lord is my strength, and my shield; my heart hath trusted in him, and I am

helped : therefore my heart danceth for joy, and in my song will I praise him.
9 The Lord is my strength : and he is the wholesome defence of his Anointed.
10 O save thy people, and give thy blessing unto thine inheritance : feed them, and set them up for ever.

PSALM 29. *Afferte Domino.*

BRING unto the Lord, O ye mighty, bring young rams unto the Lord : ascribe unto the Lord worship and strength.
2 Give the Lord the honour due unto his Name : worship the Lord with holy worship.
3 It is the Lord, that commandeth the waters : it is the glorious God, that maketh the thunder.
4 It is the Lord, that ruleth the sea ; the voice of the Lord is mighty in operation : the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.
5 The voice of the Lord breaketh the cedar-trees : yea, the Lord breaketh the cedars of Libanus.
6 He maketh them also to skip like a calf : Libanus also, and Sirion, like a young unicorn.
7 The voice of the Lord divideth the flames of fire ; the voice of the Lord shaketh the wilderness : yea, the Lord shaketh the wilderness of Cades.
8 The voice of the Lord maketh the hinds to bring forth young, and discovereth the thick bushes : in his temple doth every man speak of his honour.
9 The Lord sitteth above the water-flood : and the Lord remaineth a King for ever.

10 The Lord shall give strength unto his people : the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Day 6. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 30. *Exaltabo te, Domine.*

I WILL magnify thee, O Lord, for thou hast set me up : and not made my foes to triumph over me.

2 O Lord my God, I cried unto thee : and thou hast healed me.

3 Thou, Lord, hast brought my soul out of hell : thou hast kept my life from them that go down to the pit.

4 Sing praises unto the Lord, O ye saints of his : and give thanks unto him for a remembrance of his holiness.

5 For his wrath endureth but the twinkling of an eye, and in his pleasure is life : heaviness may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.

6 And in my prosperity I said, I shall never be removed : thou, Lord, of thy goodness hast made my hill so strong.

7 Thou didst turn thy face from me : and I was troubled.

8 Then cried I unto thee, O Lord : and gat me to my Lord right humbly.

9 What profit is there in my blood : when I go down to the pit?

10 Shall the dust give thanks unto thee : or shall it declare thy truth?

11 Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me : Lord, be thou my helper.

12 Thou hast turned my heaviness into joy : thou hast put off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness.

13 Therefore shall every good man sing of thy praise without ceasing : O my God, I will give thanks unto thee for ever.

PSALM 31. *In te, Domine, speravi.*

IN thee, O Lord, have I put my trust : let me never be put to confusion, deliver me in thy righteousness.

2 Bow down thine ear to me : make haste to deliver me.

3 And be thou my strong rock, and house of defence : that thou mayest save me.

4 For thou art my strong rock, and my castle : be thou also my guide, and lead me for thy Name's sake.

5 Draw me out of the net, that they have laid privily for me : for thou art my strength.

6 Into thy hands I commend my spirit : for thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth.

7 I have hated them that hold of superstitious vanities : and my trust hath been in the Lord.

8 I will be glad, and rejoice in thy mercy : for thou hast considered my trouble, and hast known my soul in adversities.

9 Thou hast not shut me up into the hand of the enemy : but hast set my feet in a large room.

10 Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am in trouble : and mine eye is consumed for very heaviness ; yea, my soul and my body.

11 For my life is waxen old with heaviness : and my years with mourning.

12 My strength faileth me, because of mine iniquity : and my bones are consumed.
13 I became a reproof among all mine enemies, but especially among my neighbours : and they of mine acquaintance were afraid of me; and they that did see me without conveyed themselves from me.
14 I am clean forgotten, as a dead man out of mind : I am become like a broken vessel.
15 For I have heard the blasphemy of the multitude : and fear is on every side, while they conspire together against me, and take their counsel to take away my life.
16 But my hope hath been in thee, O Lord : I have said, Thou art my God.
17 My time is in thy hand; deliver me from the hand of mine enemies : and from them that persecute me.
18 Shew thy servant the light of thy countenance : and save me for thy mercy's sake.
19 Let me not be confounded, O Lord, for I have called upon thee : let the ungodly be put to confusion, and be put to silence in the grave.
20 Let the lying lips be put to silence : which cruelly, disdainfully, and despitefully, speak against the righteous.
21 O how plentiful is thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee : and that thou hast prepared for them that put their trust in thee, even before the sons of men!
22 Thou shalt hide them privily by thine own presence from the provoking of all men : thou shalt keep them secretly in thy tabernacle from the strife of tongues.

23 Thanks be to the Lord : for he hath shewed me marvellous great kindness in a strong city.
24 And when I made haste, I said : I am cast out of the sight of thine eyes.
25 Nevertheless, thou heardest the voice of my prayer : when I cried unto thee.
26 O love the Lord, all ye his saints : for the Lord preserveth them that are faithful, and plenteously rewardeth the proud doer.
27 Be strong, and he shall establish your heart : all ye that put your trust in the Lord.

Day 6. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 32. *Beati, quorum.*

BLESSED is he whose unrighteousness is forgiven : and whose sin is covered.
2 Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth no sin : and in whose spirit there is no guile.
3 For while I held my tongue : my bones consumed away through my daily complaining.
4 For thy hand is heavy upon me day and night : and my moisture is like the drought in summer.
5 I will acknowledge my sin unto thee : and mine unrighteousness have I not hid.
6 I said, I will confess my sins unto the Lord : and so thou forgavest the wickedness of my sin.
7 For this shall every one that is godly make his prayer unto thee, in a time when

thou mayest be found : but in the great water-floods they shall not come nigh him.
8 Thou art a place to hide me in, thou shalt preserve me from trouble : thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance.
9 I will inform thee, and teach thee in the way wherein thou shalt go : and I will guide thee with mine eye.
10 Be ye not like to horse and mule, which have no understanding : whose mouths must be held with bit and bridle, lest they fall upon thee.
11 Great plagues remain for the ungodly : but whoso putteth his trust in the Lord, mercy embraceth him on every side.
12 Be glad, O ye righteous, and rejoice in the Lord : and be joyful, all ye that are true of heart.

PSALM 33. *Exultate, justi.*

REJOICE in the Lord, O ye righteous : for it becometh well the just to be thankful.
2 Praise the Lord with harp : sing praises unto him with the lute, and instrument of ten strings.
3 Sing unto the Lord a new song : sing praises lustily unto him with a good courage.
4 For the word of the Lord is true : and all his works are faithful.
5 He loveth righteousness and judgement : the earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.
6 By the word of the Lord were the heavens made : and all the hosts of them by the breath of his mouth.
7 He gathereth the waters of the sea

together, as it were upon an heap : and layeth up the deep, as in a treasure-house.
8 Let all the earth fear the Lord : stand in awe of him, all ye that dwell in the world.
9 For he spake, and it was done : he commanded, and it stood fast.
10 The Lord bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought : and maketh the devices of the people to be of none effect, and casteth out the counsels of princes.
11 The counsel of the Lord shall endure for ever : and the thoughts of his heart from generation to generation.
12 Blessed are the people, whose God is the Lord Jehovah : and blessed are the folk, that he hath chosen to him to be his inheritance.
13 The Lord looked down from heaven, and beheld all the children of men : from the habitation of his dwelling he considereth all them that dwell on the earth.
14 He fashioneth all the hearts of them : and understandeth all their works.
15 There is no king that can be saved by the multitude of an host : neither is any mighty man delivered by much strength.
16 A horse is counted but a vain thing to save a man : neither shall he deliver any man by his great strength.
17 Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear him : and upon them that put their trust in his mercy ;
18 To deliver their soul from death : and to feed them in the time of dearth.
19 Our soul hath patiently tarried for the Lord : for he is our help, and our shield.

20 For our heart shall rejoice in him : because we have hoped in his holy Name.
21 Let thy merciful kindness, O Lord, be upon us : like as we do put our trust in thee.

PSALM 34. *Benedicam Domino.*

I WILL alway give thanks unto the Lord ; his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
2 My soul shall make her boast in the Lord : the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.
3 O praise the Lord with me : and let us magnify his Name together.
4 I sought the Lord, and he heard me : yea, he delivered me out of all my fear.
5 They had an eye unto him, and were lightened : and their faces were not ashamed.
6 Lo, the poor crieth, and the Lord hareth him : yea, and saveth him out of all his troubles.
7 The angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him : and delivereth them.
8 O taste, and see, how gracious the Lord is : blessed is the man that trusteth in him.
9 O fear the Lord, ye that are his saints : for they that fear him lack nothing.
10 The lions do lack, and suffer hunger : but they who seek the Lord shall want no manner of thing that is good.
11 Come, ye children, and hearken unto me : I will teach you the fear of the Lord.
12 What man is he that lusteth to live : and would fain see good days ?
13 Keep thy tongue from evil : and thy lips, that they speak no guile.

14 Eschew evil, and do good : seek peace, and ensue it.

15 The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous : and his ears are open unto their prayers.

16 The countenance of the Lord is against them that do evil : to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.

17 The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth them : and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

18 The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart : and will save such as be of an humble spirit.

19 Great are the troubles of the righteous : but the Lord delivereth him out of all.

20 He keepeth all his bones : so that not one of them is broken.

21 But misfortune shall slay the ungodly : and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.

22 The Lord delivereth the souls of his servants : and all they that put their trust in him shall not be destitute.

Day 7. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 35. *Judica, Domine.*

PLEAD thou my cause, O Lord, with them that strive with me : and fight thou against them that fight against me.

2 Lay hand upon the shield and buckler : and stand up to help me.

3 Bring forth the spear, and stop the way

against them that persecute me : say unto my soul, I am thy salvation.
4 Let them be confounded, and put to shame, that seek after my soul : let them be turned back, and brought to confusion, that imagine mischief for me.
5 Let them be as the dust before the wind : and the angel of the Lord scattering them.
6 Let their way be dark and slippery : and let the angel of the Lord persecute them.
7 For they have privily laid their net to destroy me without a cause : yea, even without a cause have they made a pit for my soul.
8 Let a sudden destruction come upon him unawares, and his net, that he hath laid privily, catch himself : that he may fall into his own mischief.
9 And, my soul, be joyful in the Lord : it shall rejoice in his salvation.
10 All my bones shall say, Lord, who is like unto thee, who deliverest the poor from him that is too strong for him : yea, the poor, and him that is in misery, from him that spoileth him ?
11 False witnesses did rise up : they laid to my charge things that I knew not.
12 They rewarded me evil for good : to the great discomfort of my soul.
13 Nevertheless, when they were sick, I put on sackcloth, and humbled my soul with fasting : and my prayer shall turn into mine own bosom.
14 I behaved myself as though it had been

my friend, or my brother : I went heavily, as one that mourneth for his mother.
15 But in mine adversity they rejoiced, and gathered themselves together : yea, the very abjects came together against me unawares, making mouths at me, and ceased not.
16 With the flatterers were busy mockers : who gnashed upon me with their teeth.
17 Lord, how long wilt thou look upon this : O deliver my soul from the calamities which they bring on me, and my darling from the lions.
18 So will I give thee thanks in the great congregation : I will praise thee among much people.
19 O let not them that are mine enemies triumph over me ungodly : neither let them wink with their eyes that hate me without a cause.
20 And why? their communing is not for peace : but they imagine deceitful words against them that are quiet in the land.
21 They gaped upon me with their mouths, and said : Fie on thee, fie on thee, we saw it with our eyes.
22 This thou hast seen, O Lord : hold not thy tongue then, go not far from me, O Lord.
23 Awake, and stand up to judge my quarrel : avenge thou my cause, my God, and my Lord.
24 Judge me, O Lord my God, according to thy righteousness : and let them not triumph over me.
25 Let them not say in their hearts, There,

there, so would we have it : neither let them say, We have devoured him.
26 Let them be put to confusion and shame together, that rejoice at my trouble : let them be clothed with rebuke and dishonour, that boast themselves against me.
27 Let them be glad and rejoice, that favour my righteous dealing : yea, let them say alway, Blessed be the Lord, who hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant.
28 And as for my tongue, it shall be talking of thy righteousness : and of thy praise all the day long.

PSALM 36. *Dixit injustus.*

MY heart sheweth me the wickedness of the ungodly : that there is no fear of God before his eyes.
2 For he flattereth himself in his own sight : until his abominable sin be found out.
3 The words of his mouth are unrighteous, and full of deceit : he hath left off to behave himself wisely, and to do good.
4 He imagineth mischief upon his bed, and hath set himself in no good way : neither doth he abhor any thing that is evil.
5 Thy mercy, O Lord, reacheth unto the heavens : and thy faithfulness unto the clouds.
6 Thy righteousness standeth like the strong mountains : thy judgements are like the great deep.
7 Thou, Lord, shalt save both man and beast ; How excellent is thy mercy, O God : and the children of men shall put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.

8 They shall be satisfied with the plenteousness of thy house : and thou shalt give them drink of thy pleasures, as out of the river.
9 For with thee is the well of life : and in thy light shall we see light.
10 O continue forth thy loving-kindness unto them that know thee : and thy righteousness unto them that are true of heart.
11 O let not the foot of pride come against me : and let not the hand of the ungodly cast me down.
12 There are they fallen, all that work wickedness : they are cast down, and shall not be able to stand.

Day 7. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 37. *Noli æmulari.*

FRET not thyself because of the ungodly : neither be thou envious against the evil doers.
2 For they shall soon be cut down like the grass : and be withered even as the green herb.
3 Put thou thy trust in the Lord, and be doing good : dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.
4 Delight thou in the Lord : and he shall give thee thy heart's desire.
5 Commit thy way unto the Lord, and put thy trust in him : and he shall bring it to pass.
6 He shall make thy righteousness as clear as the light : and thy just dealing as the noonday.

7 Hold thee still in the Lord, and abide patiently upon him : but grieve not thyself at him, whose way doth prosper, against the man that doeth after evil counsels.

8 Leave off from wrath, and let go displeasure : fret not thyself, else shalt thou be moved to do evil.

9 Wicked doers shall be rooted out : and they that patiently abide the Lord, those shall inherit the land.

10 Yet a little while, and the ungodly shall be clean gone : thou shalt look after his place, and he shall be away.

11 But the meek-spirited shall possess the earth : and shall be refreshed in the multitude of peace.

12 The ungodly seeketh counsel against the just : and gnasheth upon him with his teeth.

13 The Lord shall laugh him to scorn : for he hath seen that his day is coming.

14 The ungodly have drawn out the sword, and have bent their bow : to cast down the poor and needy, and to slay such as are of a right conversation.

15 Their sword shall go through their own heart : and their bow shall be broken.

16 A small thing that the righteous hath : is better than great riches of the ungodly.

17 For the arms of the ungodly shall be broken : and the Lord upholdeth the righteous.

18 The Lord knoweth the days of the godly : and their inheritance shall endure for ever.

19 They shall not be confounded in the

perilous time : and in the days of dearth they shall have enough.
20 As for the ungodly, they shall perish ; and the enemies of the Lord shall consume as the fat of lambs : yea, even as the smoke, shall they consume away.
21 The ungodly borroweth, and payeth not again : but the righteous is merciful, and liberal.
22 Such as are blessed of God shall possess the land : and they that are cursed of him shall be rooted out.
23 The Lord ordereth a good man's going ; and maketh his way acceptable to himself.
24 Though he fall, he shall not be cast away : for the Lord upholdeth him with his hand.
25 I have been young, and now am old : and yet saw I never the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging their bread.
26 The righteous is ever merciful, and lendeth : and his seed is blessed.
27 Flee from evil, and do the thing that is good : and dwell for evermore.
28 For the Lord loveth the thing that is right : he forsaketh not his that be godly, but they are preserved for ever.
29 The unrighteous shall be punished : as for the seed of the ungodly, it shall be rooted out.
30 The righteous shall inherit the land : and dwell therein for ever.
31 The mouth of the righteous is exercised in wisdom : and his tongue will be talking of judgement.
32 The law of his God is in his heart : and his goings shall not slide.

33 The ungodly seeth the righteous : and seeketh occasion to slay him.
34 The Lord will not leave him in his hand : nor condemn him when he is judged.
35 Hope thou in the Lord, and keep his way, and he shall promote thee, that thou shalt possess the land : when the ungodly shall perish, thou shalt see it.
36 I myself have seen the ungodly in great power : and flourishing like a green bay-tree.
37 I went by, and lo, he was gone : I sought him, but his place could no where be found.
38 Keep innocency, and take heed unto the thing that is right : for that shall bring a man peace at the last.
39 As for the transgressors, they shall perish together : and the end of the ungodly is, they shall be rooted out at the last.
40 But the salvation of the righteous cometh of the Lord : who is also their strength in the time of trouble.
41 And the Lord shall stand by them, and save them : he shall deliver them from the ungodly, and shall save them, because they put their trust in him.

Day 8. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 38. *Domine, ne in furore.*

PUT me not to rebuke, O Lord, in thine anger : neither chasten me in thy heavy displeasure.
2 For thine arrows stick fast in me : and thy hand presseth me sore.
3 There is no health in my flesh, because

of thy displeasure : neither is there any rest in my bones, by reason of my sin.
4 For my wickednesses are gone over my head : and are like a sore burden, too heavy for me to bear.
5 My wounds stink, and are corrupt : through my foolishness.
6 I am brought into so great trouble and misery : that I go mourning all the day long.
7 For my loins are filled with a sore disease : and there is no whole part in my body.
8 I am feeble, and sore smitten : I have roared for the very disquietness of my heart.
9 Lord, thou knowest all my desire : and my groaning is not hid from thee.
10 My heart panteth, my strength hath failed me : and the sight of mine eyes is gone from me.
11 My lovers and my neighbours did stand looking upon my trouble : and my kinsmen stood afar off.
12 They also that sought after my life laid snares for me : and they that went about to do me evil talked of wickedness, and imagined deceit all the day long.
13 As for me, I was like a deaf man, and heard not : and as one that is dumb, who doth not open his mouth.
14 I became even as a man that heareth not : and in whose mouth are no reproofs.
15 For in thee, O Lord, have I put my trust : thou shalt answer for me, O Lord my God.
16 I have required that they, even mine enemies, should not triumph over me : for

when my foot slipped, they rejoiced greatly against me.
17 And I, truly, am set in the plague : and my heaviness is ever in my sight.
18 For I will confess my wickedness : and be sorry for my sin.
19 But mine enemies live, and are mighty : and they that hate me wrongfully are many in number.
20 They also that reward evil for good are against me : because I follow the thing that good is.
21 Forsake me not, O Lord my God : be not thou far from me.
22 Haste thee to help me : O Lord God of my salvation.

PSALM 39. *Dixi, custodiam.*

I SAID, I will take heed to my ways : that I offend not in my tongue.
2 I will keep my mouth as it were with a bridle : while the ungodly is in my sight.
3 I held my tongue, and spake nothing : I kept silence, yea, even from good words; but it was pain and grief to me.
4 My heart was hot within me, and while I was thus musing the fire kindled : and at the last I spake with my tongue;
5 Lord, let me know mine end, and the number of my days : that I may be certified how long I have to live.
6 Behold, thou hast made my days as it were a span long : and mine age is even as nothing in respect of thee; and verily every man living is altogether vanity.
7 For man walketh in a vain shadow, and

disquieteth himself in vain : he heapeth up riches, and cannot tell who shall gather them.
8 And now, Lord, what is my hope : truly my hope is even in thee.
9 Deliver me from all mine offences : and make me not a rebuke unto the foolish.
10 I became dumb, and opened not my mouth : for it was thy doing.
11 Take thy plague away from me : I am even consumed by the means of thy heavy hand.
12 When thou with rebukes dost chasten man for sin, thou makest his beauty to consume away, like as it were a moth fretting a garment : every man therefore is but vanity.
13 Hear my prayer, O Lord, and with thine ears consider my calling : hold not thy peace at my tears.
14 For I am a stranger with thee : and a sojourner, as all my fathers were.
15 O spare me a little, that I may recover my strength : before I go hence, and be no more seen.

PSALM 40. *Expectans expectavi.*

I WAITED patiently for the Lord : and he inclined unto me, and heard my calling.
2 He brought me also out of the horrible pit, out of the mire and clay : and set my feet upon the rock, and ordered my goings.
3 And he hath put a new song in my mouth : even a thanksgiving unto our God.
4 Many shall see it, and fear : and shall put their trust in the Lord.
5 Blessed is the man that hath set his hope

in the Lord : and turned not unto the proud, and to such as go about with lies.
6 O Lord my God, great are the wondrous works which thou hast done, like as be also thy thoughts which are to us-ward : and yet there is no man that ordereth them unto thee.
7 If I should declare them, and speak of them : they should be more than I am able to express.
8 Sacrifice, and meat-offering, thou wouldest not : but mine ears hast thou opened.
9 Burnt-offerings, and sacrifice for sin, hast thou not required : then said I, Lo, I come,
10 In the volume of the book it is written of me, that I should fulfil thy will, O my God : I am content to do it ; yea, thy law is within my heart.
11 I have declared thy righteousness in the great congregation : lo, I will not refrain my lips, O Lord, and that thou knowest.
12 I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart : my talk hath been of thy truth, and of thy salvation.
13 I have not kept back thy loving mercy and truth : from the great congregation.
14 Withdraw not thou thy mercy from me, O Lord : let thy loving-kindness and thy truth alway preserve me.
15 For innumerable troubles are come about me ; my sins have taken such hold upon me that I am not able to look up : yea, they are more in number than the hairs of my head, and my heart hath failed me.
16 O Lord, let it be thy pleasure to deliver me : make haste, O Lord, to help me.
17 Let them be ashamed, and confounded

together, that seek after my soul to destroy it : let them be driven backward, and put to rebuke, that wish me evil.
18 Let them be desolate, and rewarded with shame : that say unto me, Fie upon thee, fie upon thee.
19 Let all those that seek thee be joyful and glad in thee : and let such as love thy salvation say alway, The Lord be praised.
20 As for me, I am poor and needy : but the Lord careth for me.
21 Thou art my helper and redeemer : make no long tarrying, O my God.

Day 8. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 41. *Beatus qui intelligit.*

BLESSED is he that considereth the poor and needy : the Lord shall deliver him in the time of trouble.
2 The Lord preserve him, and keep him alive, that he may be blessed upon earth : and deliver not thou him into the will of his enemies.
3 The Lord comfort him, when he lieth sick upon his bed : make thou all his bed in his sickness.
4 I said, Lord, be merciful unto me : heal my soul, for I have sinned against thee.
5 Mine enemies speak evil of me : When shall he die, and his name perish?
6 And if he come to see me, he speaketh vanity : and his heart conceiveth falsehood within himself, and when he cometh forth he telleth it.

7 All mine enemies whisper together against me : even against me do they imagine this evil.

8 Let the sentence of guiltiness proceed against him : and now that he lieth, let him rise up no more.

9 Yea, even mine own familiar friend, whom I trusted : who did also eat of my bread, hath laid great wait for me.

10 But be thou merciful unto me, O Lord : raise thou me up again, and I shall reward them.

11 By this I know thou favourest me : that mine enemy doth not triumph against me.

12 And when I am in my health, thou upholdest me : and shalt set me before thy face for ever.

13 Blessed be the Lord God of Israel : world without end. Amen.

PSALM 42. *Quemadmodum.*

LIKE as the hart desireth the water-brooks : so longeth my soul after thee, O God.

2 My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God : when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

3 My tears have been my meat day and night : while they daily say unto me, Where is now thy God?

4 Now when I think thereupon, I pour out my heart by myself : for I went with the multitude, and brought them forth into the house of God;

5 In the voice of praise and thanksgiving : among such as keep holy-day.

6 Why art thou so full of heaviness, O my soul : and why art thou so disquieted within me?
7 Put thy trust in God : for I will yet give him thanks for the help of his countenance.
8 My God, my soul is vexed within me : therefore will I remember thee concerning the land of Jordan, and the little hill of Hermon.
9 One deep calleth another, because of the noise of the water-pipes : all thy waves and storms are gone over me.
10 The Lord hath granted his loving-kindness in the day-time : and in the night-season did I sing of him, and made my prayer unto the God of my life.
11 I will say unto the God of my strength, Why hast thou forgotten me : why go I thus heavily, while the enemy oppresseth me?
12 My bones are smitten asunder as with a sword : while mine enemies that trouble me cast me in the teeth ;
13 Namely, while they say daily unto me : Where is now thy God?
14 Why art thou so vexed, O my soul ; and why art thou so disquieted within me?
15 O put thy trust in God : for I will yet thank him, which is the help of my countenance, and my God.

PSALM 43. *Judica me, Deus.*

GIVE sentence with me, O God, and defend my cause against the ungodly people : O deliver me from the deceitful and wicked man.
2 For thou art the God of my strength,

why hast thou put me from thee : and why go I so heavily, while the enemy oppresseth me?
3 O send out thy light and thy truth, that they may lead me : and bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy dwelling.
4 And that I may go unto the altar of God, even unto the God of my joy and gladness : and upon the harp will I give thanks unto thee, O God, my God.
5 Why art thou so heavy, O my soul : and why art thou so disquieted within me?
6 O put thy trust in God : for I will yet give him thanks, which is the help of my countenance, and my God.

Day 9. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 44. *Deus, auribus.*

WE have heard with our ears, O God, our fathers have told us : what thou hast done in their time of old;
2 How thou hast driven out the heathen with thy hand, and planted them in : how thou hast destroyed the nations, and cast them out.
3 For they gat not the land in possession through their own sword : neither was it their own arm that helped them;
4 But thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance : because thou hadst a favour unto them.
5 Thou art my King, O God : send help unto Jacob.
6 Through thee will we overthrow our ene-

mies : and in thy Name will we tread them under, that rise up against us.
7 For I will not trust in my bow : it is not my sword that shall help me ;
8 But it is thou that savest us from our enemies : and puttest them to confusion that hate us.
9 We make our boast of God all day long : and will praise thy Name for ever.
10 But now thou art far off, and puttest us to confusion : and goest not forth with our armies.
11 Thou makest us to turn our backs upon our enemies : so that they which hate us spoil our goods.
12 Thou lettest us be eaten up like sheep : and hast scattered us among the heathen.
13 Thou sellest thy people for nought : and takest no money for them.
14 Thou makest us to be rebuked of our neighbours : to be laughed to scorn, and had in derision of them that are round about us.
15 Thou makest us to be a by-word among the heathen : and that the people shake their heads at us.
16 My confusion is daily before me : and the shame of my face hath covered me ;
17 For the voice of the slanderer and blasphemer : for the enemy and avenger.
18 And though all this be come upon us, yet do we not forget thee : nor behave ourselves frowardly in thy covenant.
19 Our heart is not turned back : neither our steps gone out of thy way ;
20 No, not when thou hast smitten us into

the place of dragons : and covered us with the shadow of death.
21 If we have forgotten the Name of our God, and holden up our hands to any strange god : shall not God search it out? for he knoweth the very secrets of the heart.
22 For thy sake also are we killed all the day long : and are counted as sheep appointed to be slain.
23 Up, Lord, why sleepest thou : awake, and be not absent from us for ever.
24 Wherefore hidest thou thy face : and forgettest our misery and trouble?
25 For our soul is brought low, even unto the dust : our belly cleaveth unto the ground.
26 Arise, and help us : and deliver us for thy mercy's sake.

PSALM 45. *Eructavit cor meum.*

MY heart is inditing of a good matter : I speak of the things which I have made unto the King.
2 My tongue is the pen : of a ready writer.
3 Thou art fairer than the children of men : full of grace are thy lips, because God hath blessed thee for ever.
4 Gird thee with thy sword upon thy thigh, O thou most Mighty : according to thy worship and renown.
5 Good luck have thou with thine honour : ride on, because of the word of truth, of meekness, and righteousness; and thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things.
6 Thy arrows are very sharp, and the people shall be subdued unto thee : even in the midst among the King's enemies.

7 Thy seat, O God, endureth for ever : the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre.

8 Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity : wherefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

9 All thy garments smell of myrrh, aloes, and cassia : out of the ivory palaces, whereby they have made thee glad.

10 Kings' daughters were among thy honourable women : upon thy right hand did stand the queen in a vesture of gold, wrought about with divers colours.

11 Hearken, O daughter, and consider, incline thine ear : forget also thine own people, and thy father's house.

12 So shall the King have pleasure in thy beauty : for he is thy Lord God, and worship thou him.

13 And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift : like as the rich also among the people shall make their supplication before thee.

14 The King's daughter is all glorious within : her clothing is of wrought gold.

15 She shall be brought unto the King in raiment of needle-work : the virgins that be her fellows shall bear her company, and shall be brought unto thee.

16 With joy and gladness shall they be brought : and shall enter into the King's palace.

17 Instead of thy fathers thou shalt have children : whom thou mayest make princes in all lands.

18 I will remember thy Name from one gen-

eration to another : therefore shall the people give thanks unto thee, world without end.

PSALM 46. *Deus noster refugium.*

GOD is our hope and strength : a very present help in trouble.
2 Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be moved : and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea.
3 Though the waters thereof rage and swell : and though the mountains shake at the tempest of the same.
4 The rivers of the flood thereof shall make glad the city of God : the holy place of the tabernacle of the most Highest.
5 God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed : God shall help her, and that right early.
6 The heathen make much ado, and the kingdoms are moved : but God hath shewed his voice, and the earth shall melt away.
7 The Lord of hosts is with us : the God of Jacob is our refuge.
8 O come hither, and behold the works of the Lord : what destruction he hath brought upon the earth.
9 He maketh wars to cease in all the world : he breaketh the bow, and knappeth the spear in sunder, and burneth the chariots in the fire.
10 Be still then, and know that I am God : I will be exalted among the heathen, and I will be exalted in the earth.
11 The Lord of hosts is with us : the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Day 9. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 47. *Omnes gentes, plaudite.*

O CLAP your hands together, all ye people : O sing unto God with the voice of melody.
2 For the Lord is high, and to be feared : he is the great King upon all the earth.
3 He shall subdue the people under us : and the nations under our feet.
4 He shall choose out an heritage for us : even the worship of Jacob, whom he loved.
5 God is gone up with a merry noise : and the Lord with the sound of the trump.
6 O sing praises, sing praises unto our God : O sing praises, sing praises unto our King.
7 For God is the King of all the earth : sing ye praises with understanding.
8 God reigneth over the heathen : God sitteth upon his holy seat.
9 The princes of the people are joined unto the people of the God of Abraham : for God, which is very high exalted, doth defend the earth, as it were with a shield.

PSALM 48. *Magnus Dominus.*

GREAT is the Lord, and highly to be praised : in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill.
2 The hill of Sion is a fair place, and the joy of the whole earth : upon the north-side lieth the city of the great King ; God is well known in her palaces as a sure refuge.
3 For lo, the kings of the earth : are gathered, and gone by together.

4 They marvelled to see such things : they were astonished, and suddenly cast down.
5 Fear came there upon them, and sorrow : as upon a woman in her travail.
6 Thou shalt break the ships of the sea : through the east-wind.
7 Like as we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God : God upholdeth the same for ever.
8 We wait for thy loving-kindness, O God : in the midst of thy temple.
9 O God, according to thy Name, so is thy praise unto the world's end : thy right hand is full of righteousness.
10 Let the mount Sion rejoice, and the daughters of Judah be glad : because of thy judgements.
11 Walk about Sion, and go round about her : and tell the towers thereof.
12 Mark well her bulwarks, set up her houses : that ye may tell them that come after.
13 For this God is our God for ever and ever : he shall be our guide unto death.

PSALM 49. *Audite hæc, omnes.*

O HEAR ye this, all ye people : ponder it with your ears, all ye that dwell in the world ;
2 High and low, rich and poor : one with another.
3 My mouth shall speak of wisdom : and my heart shall muse of understanding.
4 I will incline mine ear to the parable : and shew my dark speech upon the harp.

5 Wherefore should I fear in the days of wickedness : and when the wickedness of my heels compasseth me round about ?

6 There be some that put their trust in their goods : and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches.

7 But no man may deliver his brother : nor make agreement unto God for him ;

8 For it cost more to redeem their souls : so that he must let that alone for ever ;

9 Yea, though he live long : and see not the grave.

10 For he seeth that wise men also die, and perish together : as well as the ignorant and foolish, and leave their riches for other

11 And yet they think that their houses shall continue for ever : and that their dwelling-places shall endure from one generation to another ; and call the lands after their own names.

12 Nevertheless, man will not abide in honour : seeing he may be compared unto the beasts that perish ; this is the way of them.

13 This is their foolishness : and their posterity praise their saying.

14 They lie in the hell like sheep, death gnaweth upon them, and the righteous shall have domination over them in the morning : their beauty shall consume in the sepulchre out of their dwelling.

15 But God hath delivered my soul from the place of hell : for he shall receive me.

16 Be not thou afraid, though one be made rich : or if the glory of his house be increased ;

17 For he shall carry nothing away with him when he dieth : neither shall his pomp follow him.

18 For while he lived, he counted himself an happy man : and so long as thou doest well unto thyself, men will speak good of thee.

19 He shall follow the generation of his fathers : and shall never see light.

20 Man being in honour hath no understanding : but is compared unto the beasts that perish.

Day 10. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 50. *Deus deorum.*

THE Lord, even the most mighty God, hath spoken : and called the world, from the rising up of the sun, unto the going down thereof.

2 Out of Sion hath God appeared : in perfect beauty.

3 Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence : there shall go before him a consuming fire, and a mighty tempest shall be stirred up round about him.

4 He shall call the heaven from above : and the earth, that he may judge his people.

5 Gather my saints together unto me : those that have made a covenant with me with sacrifice.

6 And the heaven shall declare his righteousness : for God is Judge himself.

7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak : I myself will testify against thee, O Israel ; for I am God, even thy God.

8 I will not reprove thee because of thy sacrifices, or for thy burnt-offerings : because they were not alway before me.
9 I will take no bullock out of thine house : nor he-goat out of thy folds.
10 For all the beasts of the forest are mine : and so are the cattle upon a thousand hills.
11 I know all the fowls upon the mountains : and the wild beasts of the field are in my sight.
12 If I be hungry, I will not tell thee : for the whole world is mine, and all that is therein.
13 Thinkest thou that I will eat bulls' flesh : and drink the blood of goats ?
14 Offer unto God thanksgiving : and pay thy vows unto the most Highest.
15 And call upon me in the time of trouble : so will I hear thee, and thou shalt praise me.
16 But unto the ungodly said God : Why dost thou preach my laws, and takest my covenant in thy mouth ;
17 Whereas thou hatest to be reformed : and hast cast my words behind thee ?
18 When thou sawest a thief, thou consentedst unto him : and hast been partaker with the adulterers.
19 Thou hast let thy mouth speak wickedness : and with thy tongue thou hast set forth deceit.
20 Thou satest, and spakest against thy brother : yea, and hast slandered thine own mother's son.
21 These things hast thou done, and I held my tongue, and thou thoughtest wickedly, that I am even such a one as thyself : but

I will reprove thee, and set before thee the things that thou hast done.
22 O consider this, ye that forget God : lest I pluck you away, and there be none to deliver you.
23 Whoso offereth me thanks and praise, he honoureth me : and to him that ordereth his conversation right will I shew the salvation of God.

PSALM 51. *Miserere mei, Deus.*

HAVE mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness : according to the multitude of thy mercies do away mine offences.
2 Wash me throughly from my wickedness : and cleanse me from my sin.
3 For I acknowledge my faults : and my sin is ever before me.
4 Against thee only have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight : that thou mightest be justified in thy saying, and clear when thou art judged.
5 Behold, I was shapen in wickedness : and in sin hath my mother conceived me.
6 But lo, thou requirest truth in the inward parts : and shalt make me to understand wisdom secretly.
7 Thou shalt purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean : thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
8 Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness : that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.
9 Turn thy face from my sins : and put out all my misdeeds.

10 Make me a clean heart, O God : and renew a right spirit within me.
11 Cast me not away from thy presence : and take not thy holy Spirit from me.
12 O give me the comfort of thy help again : and stablish me with thy free Spirit.
13 Then shall I teach thy ways unto the wicked : and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
14 Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, thou that art the God of my health : and my tongue shall sing of thy righteousness.
15 Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord : and my mouth shall shew thy praise.
16 For thou desirest no sacrifice, else would I give it thee : but thou delightest not in burnt-offerings.
17 The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit : a broken and contrite heart, O God, shalt thou not despise.
18 O be favourable and gracious unto Sion : build thou the walls of Jerusalem.
19 Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifice of righteousness, with the burnt-offerings and oblations : then shall they offer young bullocks upon thine altar.

PSALM 52. *Quid gloriaris?*

WHY boastest thou thyself, thou tyrant : that thou canst do mischief;
2 Whereas the goodness of God : endureth yet daily?
3 Thy tongue imagineth wickedness : and with lies thou cuttest like a sharp razor.
4 Thou hast loved unrighteousness more

than goodness : and to talk of lies more than righteousness.
5 Thou hast loved to speak all words that may do hurt : O thou false tongue.
6 Therefore shall God destroy thee for ever : he shall take thee, and pluck thee out of thy dwelling, and root thee out of the land of the living.
7 The righteous also shall see this, and fear : and shall laugh him to scorn ;
8 Lo, this is the man that took not God for his strength : but trusted unto the multitude of his riches, and strengthened himself in his wickedness.
9 As for me, I am like a green olive-tree in the house of God : my trust is in the tender mercy of God for ever and ever.
10 I will always give thanks unto thee for that thou hast done : and I will hope in thy Name, for thy saints like it well.

Day 10. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 53. *Dixit insipiens.*

THE foolish body hath said in his heart : There is no God.
2 Corrupt are they, and become abominable in their wickedness : there is none that doeth good.
3 God looked down from heaven upon the children of men : to see if there were any, that would understand, and seek after God.
4 But they are all gone out of the way, they are altogether become abominable : there is also none that doeth good, no not one.

5 Are not they without understanding that work wickedness : eating up my people as if they would eat bread ? they have not called upon God.

6 They were afraid where no fear was : for God hath broken the bones of him that besieged thee ; thou hast put them to confusion, because God hath despised them.

7 Oh, that the salvation were given unto Israel out of Sion : Oh, that the Lord would deliver his people out of captivity !

8 Then should Jacob rejoice : and Israel should be right glad.

PSALM 54. *Deus, in nomine.*

SAVE me, O God, for thy Name's sake : and avenge me in thy strength.

2 Hear my prayer, O God : and hearken unto the words of my mouth.

3 For strangers are risen up against me : and tyrants, which have not God before their eyes, seek after my soul.

4 Behold, God is my helper : the Lord is with them that uphold my soul.

5 He shall reward evil unto mine enemies : destroy thou them in thy truth.

6 An offering of a free heart will I give thee, and praise thy Name, O Lord : because it is so comfortable.

7 For he hath delivered me out of all my trouble : and mine eye hath seen his desire upon mine enemies.

PSALM 55. *Exaudi, Deus.*

HEAR my prayer, O God : and hide not thyself from my petition.

2 Take heed unto me, and hear me : how I mourn in my prayer, and am vexed.
3 The enemy crieth so, and the ungodly cometh on so fast : for they are minded to do me some mischief; so maliciously are they set against me.
4 My heart is disquieted within me : and the fear of death is fallen upon me.
5 Fearfulness and trembling are come upon me : and an horrible dread hath overwhelmed me.
6 And I said, O that I had wings like a dove : for then would I flee away, and be at rest.
7 Lo, then would I get me away far off : and remain in the wilderness.
8 I would make haste to escape : because of the stormy wind and tempest.
9 Destroy their tongues, O Lord, and divide them : for I have spied unrighteousness and strife in the city.
10 Day and night they go about within the walls thereof : mischief also and sorrow are in the midst of it.
11 Wickedness is therein : deceit and guile go not out of their streets.
12 For it is not an open enemy, that hath done me this dishonour : for then I could have borne it.
13 Neither was it mine adversary, that did magnify himself against me : for then peradventure I would have hid myself from him.
14 But it was even thou, my companion : my guide, and mine own familiar friend.
15 We took sweet counsel together : and walked in the house of God as friends.
16 Let death come hastily upon them, and

let them go down quick into hell : for wickedness is in their dwellings, and among them.
17 As for me, I will call upon God : and the Lord shall save me.
18 In the evening, and morning, and at noon-day will I pray, and that instantly : and he shall hear my voice.
19 It is he that hath delivered my soul in peace from the battle that was against me : for there were many with me.
20 Yea, even God, that endureth for ever, shall hear me, and bring them down : for they will not turn, nor fear God.
21 He laid his hands upon such as be at peace with him : and he brake his covenant.
22 The words of his mouth were softer than butter, having war in his heart : his words were smoother than oil, and yet be they very swords.
23 O cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall nourish thee : and shall not suffer the righteous to fall for ever.
24 And as for them : thou, O God, shalt bring them into the pit of destruction.
25 The blood-thirsty and deceitful men shall not live out half their days : nevertheless, my trust shall be in thee, O Lord.

Day 11. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 56. *Miserere mei, Deus.*

BE merciful unto me, O God, for man goeth about to devour me : he is daily fighting, and troubling me.
2 Mine enemies are daily in hand to swallow

me up : for they be many that fight against me, O thou most Highest.
3 Nevertheless, though I am sometime afraid : yet put I my trust in thee.
4 I will praise God, because of his word : I have put my trust in God, and will not fear what flesh can do unto me.
5 They daily mistake my words : all that they imagine is to do me evil.
6 They hold all together, and keep themselves close : and mark my steps, when they lay wait for my soul.
7 Shall they escape for their wickedness : thou, O God, in thy displeasure shalt cast them down.
8 Thou tellest my flittings; put my tears into thy bottle : are not these things noted in thy book?
9 Whensoever I call upon thee, then shall mine enemies be put to flight : this I know; for God is on my side.
10 In God's word will I rejoice : in the Lord's word will I comfort me.
11 Yea, in God have I put my trust : I will not be afraid what man can do unto me.
12 Unto thee, O God, will I pay my vows : unto thee will I give thanks.
13 For thou hast delivered my soul from death, and my feet from falling : that I may walk before God in the light of the living.

PSALM 57. *Miserere mei, Deus.*

BE merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me, for my soul trusteth in thee : and under the shadow of thy wings shall be my refuge, until this tyranny be over-past.

2 I will call unto the most high God : even unto the God that shall perform the cause which I have in hand.

3 He shall send from heaven : and save me from the reproof of him that would eat me up.

4 God shall send forth his mercy and truth : my soul is among lions.

5 And I lie even among the children of men, that are set on fire : whose teeth are spears and arrows, and their tongue a sharp sword.

6 Set up thyself, O God, above the heavens : and thy glory above all the earth.

7 They have laid a net for my feet, and pressed down my soul : they have digged a pit before me, and are fallen into the midst of it themselves.

8 My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed : I will sing, and give praise.

9 Awake up, my glory; awake, lute and harp : I myself will awake right early.

10 I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the people : and I will sing unto thee among the nations.

11 For the greatness of thy mercy reacheth unto the heavens : and thy truth unto the clouds.

12 Set up thyself, O God, above the heavens : and thy glory above all the earth.

PSALM 58. *Si vere utique.*

ARE your minds set upon righteousness, O ye congregation : and do ye judge the thing that is right, O ye sons of men?

2 Yea, ye imagine mischief in your heart upon the earth : and your hands deal with wickedness.

3 The ungodly are froward, even from their mother's womb : as soon as they are born, they go astray, and speak lies.

4 They are as venomous as the poison of a serpent : even like the deaf adder that stoppeth her ears ;

5 Which refuseth to hear the voice of the charmer : charm he never so wisely.

6 Break their teeth, O God, in their mouths; smite the jaw-bones of the lions, O Lord : let them fall away like water that runneth apace; and when they shoot their arrows let them be rooted out.

7 Let them consume away like a snail, and be like the untimely fruit of a woman : and let them not see the sun.

8 Or ever your pots be made hot with thorns : so let indignation vex him, even as a thing that is raw.

9 The righteous shall rejoice when he seeth the vengeance : he shall wash his footsteps in the blood of the ungodly.

10 So that a man shall say, Verily there is a reward for the righteous : doubtless there is a God that judgeth the earth.

Day 11. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 59. *Eripe me de inimicis.*

DELIVER me from mine enemies, O God : defend me from them that rise up against me.

2 O deliver me from the wicked doers : and save me from the blood-thirsty men.

3 For lo, they lie waiting for my soul : the

mighty men are gathered against me, without any offence or fault of me, O Lord.
4 They run and prepare themselves without my fault : arise thou therefore to help me, and behold.
5 Stand up, O Lord God of hosts, thou God of Israel, to visit all the heathen : and be not merciful unto them that offend of malicious wickedness.
6 They go to and fro in the evening : they grin like a dog, and run about through the city.
7 Behold, they speak with their mouth, and swords are in their lips : for who doth hear?
8 But thou, O Lord, shalt have them in derision : and thou shalt laugh all the heathen to scorn.
9 My strength will I ascribe unto thee : for thou art the God of my refuge.
10 God sheweth me his goodness plenteously : and God shall let me see my desire upon mine enemies.
11 Slay them not, lest my people forget it : but scatter them abroad among the people, and put them down, O Lord, our defence.
12 For the sin of their mouth, and for the words of their lips, they shall be taken in their pride : and why? their preaching is of cursing and lies.
13 Consume them in thy wrath, consume them, that they may perish : and know that it is God that ruleth in Jacob, and unto the ends of the world.
14 And in the evening they will return : grin like a dog, and will go about the city.

15 They will run here and there for meat : and grudge if they be not satisfied.
16 As for me, I will sing of thy power, and will praise thy mercy betimes in the morning : for thou hast been my defence and refuge in the day of my trouble.
17 Unto thee, O my strength, will I sing : for thou, O God, art my refuge, and my merciful God.

PSALM 60. *Deus, repulisti nos.*

O GOD, thou hast cast us out, and scattered us abroad : thou hast also been displeased ; O turn thee unto us again.
2 Thou hast moved the land, and divided it : heal the sores thereof, for it shaketh.
3 Thou hast shewed thy people heavy things : thou hast given us a drink of deadly wine.
4 Thou hast given a token for such as fear thee : that they may triumph because of the truth.
5 Therefore were thy beloved delivered : help me with thy right hand, and hear me.
6 God hath spoken in his holiness, I will rejoice, and divide Sichem : and mete out the valley of Succoth.
7 Gilead is mine, and Manasses is mine : Ephraim also is the strength of my head ; Judah is my law-giver ;
8 Moab is my wash-pot ; over Edom will I cast out my shoe : Philistia, be thou glad of me.
9 Who will lead me into the strong city : who will bring me into Edom ?

10 Hast not thou cast us out, O God : wilt not thou, O God, go out with our hosts?
11 O be thou our help in trouble : for vain is the help of man.
12 Through God will we do great acts : for it is he that shall tread down our enemies.

PSALM 61. *Exaudi, Deus.*

HEAR my crying, O God : give ear unto my prayer.
2 From the ends of the earth will I call upon thee : when my heart is in heaviness.
3 O set me up upon the rock that is higher than I : for thou hast been my hope, and a strong tower for me against the enemy.
4 I will dwell in thy tabernacle for ever : and my trust shall be under the covering of thy wings.
5 For thou, O Lord, hast heard my desires : and hast given an heritage unto those that fear thy Name.
6 Thou shalt grant the King a long life : that his years may endure throughout all generations.
7 He shall dwell before God for ever : O prepare thy loving mercy and faithfulness, that they may preserve him.
8 So will I alway sing praise unto thy Name : that I may daily perform my vows.

Day 12. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 62. *Nonne Deo?*

MY soul truly waiteth still upon God : for of him cometh my salvation.

2 He verily is my strength and my salvation : he is my defence, so that I shall not greatly fall.

3 How long will ye imagine mischief against every man : ye shall be slain all the sort of you ; yea, as a tottering wall shall ye be, and like a broken hedge.

4 Their device is only how to put him out whom God will exalt : their delight is in lies ; they give good words with their mouth, but curse with their heart.

5 Nevertheless, my soul, wait thou still upon God : for my hope is in him.

6 He truly is my strength and my salvation : he is my defence, so that I shall not fall.

7 In God is my health, and my glory : the rock of my might, and in God is my trust.

8 O put your trust in him alway, ye people : pour out your hearts before him, for God is our hope.

9 As for the children of men, they are but vanity : the children of men are deceitful upon the weights, they are altogether lighter than vanity itself.

10 O trust not in wrong and robbery, give not yourselves unto vanity : if riches increase, set not your heart upon them.

11 God spake once, and twice I have also heard the same : that power belongeth unto God ;
12 And that thou, Lord, art merciful : for thou rewardest every man according to his work.

PSALM 63. *Deus, Deus meus.*

O GOD, thou art my God : early will I seek thee.
2 My soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh also longeth after thee : in a barren and dry land where no water is.
3 Thus have I looked for thee in holiness : that I might behold thy power and glory.
4 For thy loving-kindness is better than the life itself : my lips shall praise thee.
5 As long as I live will I magnify thee on this manner : and lift up my hands in thy Name.
6 My soul shall be satisfied, even as it were with marrow and fatness : when my mouth praiseth thee with joyful lips.
7 Have I not remembered thee in my bed : and thought upon thee when I was waking?
8 Because thou hast been my helper : therefore under the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.
9 My soul hangeth upon thee : thy right hand hath upholden me.
10 These also that seek the hurt of my soul : they shall go under the earth.
11 Let them fall upon the edge of the sword : that they may be a portion for foxes.
12 But the King shall rejoice in God ; all they also that swear by him shall be com-

mended : for the mouth of them that speak lies shall be stopped.

PSALM 64. *Exaudi, Deus.*

HEAR my voice, O God, in my prayer : preserve my life from fear of the enemy.

2 Hide me from the gathering together of the froward : and from the insurrection of wicked doers ;

3 Who have whet their tongue like a sword : and shoot out their arrows, even bitter words ;

4 That they may privily shoot at him that is perfect : suddenly do they hit him, and fear not.

5 They encourage themselves in mischief : and commune among themselves how they may lay snares, and say, that no man shall see them.

6 They imagine wickedness, and practise it : that they keep secret among themselves, every man in the deep of his heart.

7 But God shall suddenly shoot at them with a swift arrow : that they shall be wounded.

8 Yea, their own tongues shall make them fall : insomuch that whoso seeth them shall laugh them to scorn.

9 And all men that see it shall say, This hath God done : for they shall perceive that it is his work.

10 The righteous shall rejoice in the Lord, and put his trust in him : and all they that are true of heart shall be glad.

Day 12. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 65. *Te decet hymnus.*

THOU, O God, art praised in Sion : and unto thee shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem.

2 Thou that hearest the prayer : unto thee shall all flesh come.

3 My misdeeds prevail against me : O be thou merciful unto our sins.

4 Blessed is the man, whom thou choosest, and receivest unto thee : he shall dwell in thy court, and shall be satisfied with the pleasures of thy house, even of thy holy temple.

5 Thou shalt shew us wonderful things in thy righteousness, O God of our salvation : thou that art the hope of all the ends of the earth, and of them that remain in the broad sea.

6 Who in his strength setteth fast the mountains : and is girded about with power.

7 Who stilleth the raging of the sea : and the noise of his waves, and the madness of the people.

8 They also that dwell in the uttermost parts of the earth shall be afraid at thy tokens : thou that makest the outgoings of the morning and evening to praise thee.

9 Thou visitest the earth, and blessest it : thou makest it very plenteous.

10 The river of God is full of water : thou preparest their corn, for so thou providest for the earth.

11 Thou waterest her furrows, thou sendest rain into the little valleys thereof : thou makest it soft with the drops of rain, and blessest the increase of it.

12 Thou crownest the year with thy goodness : and thy clouds drop fatness.
13 They shall drop upon the dwellings of the wilderness : and the little hills shall rejoice on every side.
14 The folds shall be full of sheep : the valleys also shall stand so thick with corn, that they shall laugh and sing.

PSALM 66. *Jubilate Deo.*

O BE joyful in God, all ye lands : sing praises unto the honour of his Name, make his praise to be glorious.
2 Say unto God, O how wonderful art thou in thy works : through the greatness of thy power shall thine enemies be found liars unto thee.
3 For all the world shall worship thee : sing of thee, and praise thy Name.
4 O come hither, and behold the works of God : how wonderful he is in his doing toward the children of men.
5 He turned the sea into dry land : so that they went through the water on foot ; there did we rejoice thereof.
6 He ruleth with his power for ever ; his eyes behold the people : and such as will not believe shall not be able to exalt themselves.
7 O praise our God, ye people : and make the voice of his praise to be heard ;
8 Who holdeth our soul in life : and suffereth not our feet to slip.
9 For thou, O God, hast proved us : thou also hast tried us, like as silver is tried.
10 Thou broughtest us into the snare : and laidest trouble upon our loins.
11 Thou sufferedst men to ride over our

heads : we went through fire and water, and thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place.
12 I will go into thine house with burnt-offerings : and will pay thee my vows, which I promised with my lips, and spake with my mouth, when I was in trouble.
13 I will offer unto thee fat burnt-sacrifices, with the incense of rams : I will offer bullocks and goats.
14 O come hither, and hearken, all ye that fear God : and I will tell you what he hath done for my soul.
15 I called unto him with my mouth : and gave him praises with my tongue.
16 If I incline unto wickedness with mine heart : the Lord will not hear me.
17 But God hath heard me : and considered the voice of my prayer.
18 Praised be God who hath not cast out my prayer : nor turned his mercy from me.

PSALM 67. *Deus misereatur.*

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us : and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us;
2 That thy way may be known upon earth : thy saving health among all nations.
3 Let the people praise thee, O God : yea, let all the people praise thee.
4 O let the nations rejoice and be glad : for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.
5 Let the people praise thee, O God : let all the people praise thee.
6 Then shall the earth bring forth her in-

crease : and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.
7 God shall bless us : and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

Day 13. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 68. *Exurgat Deus.*

LET God arise, and let his enemies be scattered : let them also that hate him flee before him.
2 Like as the smoke vanisheth, so shalt thou drive them away : and like as wax melteth at the fire, so let the ungodly perish at the presence of God.
3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God : let them also be merry and joyful.
4 O sing unto God, and sing praises unto his Name : magnify him that rideth upon the heavens, as it were upon an horse ; praise him in his Name JAH, and rejoice before him.
5 He is a Father of the fatherless, and defendeth the cause of the widows : even God in his holy habitation.
6 He is the God that maketh men to be of one mind in an house, and bringeth the prisoners out of captivity : but letteth the runagates continue in scarceness.
7 O God, when thou wentest forth before the people : when thou wentest through the wilderness,
8 The earth shook, and the heavens dropped at the presence of God : even as Sinai also was moved at the presence of God, who is the God of Israel.

9 Thou, O God, sentest a gracious rain upon thine inheritance : and refreshedst it when it was weary.

10 Thy congregation shall dwell therein : for thou, O God, hast of thy goodness prepared for the poor.

11 The Lord gave the word : great was the company of the preachers.

12 Kings with their armies did flee, and were discomfited : and they of the household divided the spoil.

13 Though ye have lien among the pots, yet shall ye be as the wings of a dove : that is covered with silver wings, and her feathers like gold.

14 When the Almighty scattered kings for their sake : then were they as white as snow in Salmon.

15 As the hill of Basan, so is God's hill : even an high hill, as the hill of Basan.

16 Why hop ye so, ye high hills? this is God's hill, in the which it pleaseth him to dwell : yea, the Lord will abide in it for ever.

17 The chariots of God are twenty thousand, even thousands of angels : and the Lord is among them, as in the holy place of Sinai.

18 Thou art gone up on high, thou hast led captivity captive, and received gifts for men : yea, even for thine enemies, that the Lord God might dwell among them.

19 Praised be the Lord daily : even the God who helpeth us, and poureth his benefits upon us.

20 He is our God, even the God of whom cometh salvation : God is the Lord, by whom we escape death.

21 God shall wound the head of his ene-

mies : and the hairy scalp of such a one as goeth on still in his wickedness.
22 The Lord hath said, I will bring my people again, as I did from Basan : mine own will I bring again, as I did sometime from the deep of the sea.
23 That thy foot may be dipped in the blood of thine enemies : and that the tongue of thy dogs may be red through the same.
24 It is well seen, O God, how thou goest : how thou, my God and King, goest in the sanctuary.
25 The singers go before, the minstrels follow after : in the midst are the damsels playing with the timbrels.
26 Give thanks, O Israel, unto God the Lord in the congregations : from the ground of the heart.
27 There is little Benjamin their ruler, and the princes of Judah their counsel : the princes of Zabulon, and the princes of Nephthali.
28 Thy God hath sent forth strength for thee : stablish the thing, O God, that thou hast wrought in us,
29 For thy temple's sake at Jerusalem : so shall kings bring presents unto thee.
30 When the company of the spear-men, and multitude of the mighty are scattered abroad among the beasts of the people, so that they humbly bring pieces of silver : and when he hath scattered the people that delight in war ;
31 Then shall the princes come out of Egypt : the Morians' land shall soon stretch out her hands unto God.
32 Sing unto God, O ye kingdoms of the earth : O sing praises unto the Lord ;

33 Who sitteth in the heavens over all from the beginning : lo, he doth send out his voice, yea, and that a mighty voice.

34 Ascribe ye the power to God over Israel : his worship, and strength is in the clouds.

35 O God, wonderful art thou in thy holy places : even the God of Israel ; he will give strength and power unto his people ; blessed be God.

Day 13. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 69. *Salvum me fac.*

SAVE me, O God : for the waters are come in, even unto my soul.

2 I stick fast in the deep mire, where no ground is : I am come into deep waters, so that the floods run over me.

3 I am weary of crying ; my throat is dry : my sight faileth me for waiting so long upon my God.

4 They that hate me without a cause are more than the hairs of my head : they that are mine enemies, and would destroy me guiltless, are mighty.

5 I paid them the things that I never took : God, thou knowest my simpleness, and my faults are not hid from thee.

6 Let not them that trust in thee, O Lord God of hosts, be ashamed for my cause : let not those that seek thee be confounded through me, O Lord God of Israel.

7 And why ? for thy sake have I suffered reproof : shame hath covered my face.

8 I am become a stranger unto my brethren : even an alien unto my mother's children.
9 For the zeal of thine house hath even eaten me : and the rebukes of them that rebuked thee are fallen upon me.
10 I wept, and chastened myself with fasting : and that was turned to my reproof.
11 I put on sackcloth also : and they jested upon me.
12 They that sit in the gate speak against me : and the drunkards make songs upon me.
13 But, Lord, I make my prayer unto thee : in an acceptable time.
14 Hear me, O God, in the multitude of thy mercy : even in the truth of thy salvation.
15 Take me out of the mire, that I sink not : O let me be delivered from them that hate me, and out of the deep waters.
16 Let not the water-flood drown me, neither let the deep swallow me up : and let not the pit shut her mouth upon me.
17 Hear me, O Lord, for thy loving-kindness is comfortable : turn thee unto me according to the multitude of thy mercies.
18 And hide not thy face from thy servant, for I am in trouble : O haste thee, and hear me.
19 Draw nigh unto my soul, and save it : O deliver me, because of mine enemies.
20 Thou hast known my reproof, my shame, and my dishonour : mine adversaries are all in thy sight.
21 Thy rebuke hath broken my heart; I am full of heaviness : I looked for some to have pity on me, but there was no man, neither found I any to comfort me.

22 They gave me gall to eat : and when I was thirsty they gave me vinegar to drink.
23 Let their table be made a snare to take themselves withal : and let the things that should have been for their wealth be unto them an occasion of falling.
24 Let their eyes be blinded, that they see not : and ever bow thou down their backs.
25 Pour out thine indignation upon them : and let thy wrathful displeasure take hold of them.
26 Let their habitation be void : and no man to dwell in their tents.
27 For they persecute him whom thou hast smitten : and they talk how they may vex them whom thou hast wounded.
28 Let them fall from one wickedness to another : and not come into thy righteousness.
29 Let them be wiped out of the book of the living : and not be written among the righteous.
30 As for me, when I am poor and in heaviness : thy help, O God, shall lift me up.
31 I will praise the Name of God with a song : and magnify it with thanksgiving.
32 This also shall please the Lord : better than a bullock that hath horns and hoofs.
33 The humble shall consider this, and be glad : seek ye after God, and your soul shall live.
34 For the Lord heareth the poor : and despiseth not his prisoners.
35 Let heaven and earth praise him : the sea, and all that moveth therein.
36 For God will save Sion, and build the

cities of Judah : that men may dwell there, and have it in possession.
37 The posterity also of his servants shall inherit it : and they that love his Name shall dwell therein.

PSALM 70. *Deus in adjutorium.*

HASTE thee, O God, to deliver me : make haste to help me, O Lord.
2 Let them be ashamed and confounded that seek after my soul : let them be turned backward and put to confusion that wish me evil.
3 Let them for their reward be soon brought to shame : that cry over me, There, there.
4 But let all those that seek thee be joyful and glad in thee : and let all such as delight in thy salvation say alway, The Lord be praised.
5 As for me, I am poor and in misery : haste thee unto me, O God.
6 Thou art my helper, and my redeemer : O Lord, make no long tarrying.

Day 14. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 71. *In te, Domine, speravi.*

IN thee, O Lord, have I put my trust, let me never be put to confusion : but rid me, and deliver me, in thy righteousness; incline thine ear unto me, and save me.
2 Be thou my strong hold, whereunto I may alway resort : thou hast promised to help me, for thou art my house of defence, and my castle.

3 Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the ungodly : out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.

4 For thou, O Lord God, art the thing that I long for : thou art my hope, even from my youth.

5 Through thee have I been holden up ever since I was born : thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb; my praise shall be always of thee.

6 I am become as it were a monster unto many : but my sure trust is in thee.

7 O let my mouth be filled with thy praise : that I may sing of thy glory and honour all the day long.

8 Cast me not away in the time of age : forsake me not when my strength faileth me.

9 For mine enemies speak against me, and they that lay wait for my soul take their counsel together, saying : God hath forsaken him; persecute him, and take him, for there is none to deliver him.

10 Go not far from me, O God : my God, haste thee to help me.

11 Let them be confounded and perish that are against my soul : let them be covered with shame and dishonour that seek to do me evil.

12 As for me, I will patiently abide alway : and will praise thee more and more.

13 My mouth shall daily speak of thy righteousness and salvation : for I know no end thereof.

14 I will go forth in the strength of the Lord God : and will make mention of thy righteousness only.

15 Thou, O God, hast taught me from my youth up until now : therefore will I tell of thy wondrous works.

16 Forsake me not, O God, in mine old age, when I am gray-headed : until I have shewed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to all them that are yet for to come.

17 Thy righteousness, O God, is very high : and great things are they that thou hast done ; O God, who is like unto thee ?

18 O what great troubles and adversities hast thou shewed me ! and yet didst thou turn and refresh me : yea, and broughtest me from the deep of the earth again.

19 Thou hast brought me to great honour : and comforted me on every side.

20 Therefore will I praise thee and thy faithfulness, O God, playing upon an instrument of musick : unto thee will I sing upon the harp, O thou Holy One of Israel.

21 My lips will be fain when I sing unto thee : and so will my soul whom thou hast delivered.

22 My tongue also shall talk of thy righteousness all the day long : for they are confounded and brought unto shame that seek to do me evil.

PSALM 72. *Deus, judicium.*

GIVE the King thy judgements, O God : and thy righteousness unto the King's son.

2 Then shall he judge thy people according unto right : and defend the poor.

3 The mountains also shall bring peace : and the little hills righteousness unto the people.

4 He shall keep the simple folk by their right : defend the children of the poor, and punish the wrong doer.

5 They shall fear thee, as long as the sun and moon endureth : from one generation to another.

6 He shall come down like the rain into a fleece of wool : even as the drops that water the earth.

7 In his time shall the righteous flourish : yea, and abundance of peace, so long as the moon endureth.

8 His dominion shall be also from the one sea to the other : and from the flood unto the world's end.

9 They that dwell in the wilderness shall kneel before him : his enemies shall lick the dust.

10 The kings of Tharsis and of the isles shall give presents : the kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts.

11 All kings shall fall down before him : all nations shall do him service.

12 For he shall deliver the poor when he crieth : the needy also, and him that hath no helper.

13 He shall be favourable to the simple and needy : and shall preserve the souls of the poor.

14 He shall deliver their souls from falsehood and wrong : and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

15 He shall live, and unto him shall be given of the gold of Arabia : prayer shall be made ever unto him, and daily shall he be praised.

16 There shall be an heap of corn in the earth, high upon the hills : his fruit shall shake like Libanus, and shall be green in the city like grass upon the earth.

17 His Name shall endure for ever ; his Name shall remain under the sun among the posterities : which shall be blessed through him ; and all the heathen shall praise him.

18 Blessed be the Lord God, even the God of Israel : which only doeth wondrous things ;

19 And blessed be the Name of his Majesty for ever : and all the earth shall be filled with his Majesty. Amen, Amen.

Day 14. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 73. *Quam bonus Israel !*

TRULY God is loving unto Israel : even unto such as are of a clean heart.

2 Nevertheless, my feet were almost gone : my treadings had well-nigh slipt.

3 And why ? I was grieved at the wicked : I do also see the ungodly in such prosperity.

4 For they are in no peril of death : but are lusty and strong.

5 They come in no misfortune like other folk : neither are they plagued like other men.

6 And this is the cause that they are so holden with pride : and overwhelmed with cruelty.

7 Their eyes swell with fatness : and they do even what they lust.

8 They corrupt other, and speak of wicked

blasphemy : their talking is against the most High.
9 For they stretch forth their mouth unto the heaven : and their tongue goeth through the world.
10 Therefore fall the people unto them : and thereout suck they no small advantage.
11 Tush, say they, how should God perceive it : is there knowledge in the most High?
12 Lo, these are the ungodly, these prosper in the world, and these have riches in possession : and I said, Then have I cleansed my heart in vain, and washed mine hands in innocency.
13 All the day long have I been punished : and chastened every morning.
14 Yea, and I had almost said even as they : but lo, then I should have condemned the generation of thy children.
15 Then thought I to understand this : but it was too hard for me,
16 Until I went into the sanctuary of God : then understood I the end of these men;
17 Namely, how thou dost set them in slippery places : and castest them down, and destroyest them.
18 Oh, how suddenly do they consume : perish, and come to a fearful end!
19 Yea, even like as a dream when one awaketh : so shalt thou make their image to vanish out of the city.
20 Thus my heart was grieved : and it went even through my reins.
21 So foolish was I, and ignorant : even as it were a beast before thee.

22 Nevertheless, I am alway by thee : for thou hast holden me by my right hand.
23 Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel : and after that receive me with glory.
24 Whom have I in heaven but thee : and there is none upon earth that I desire in comparison of thee.
25 My flesh and my heart faileth : but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.
26 For lo, they that forsake thee shall perish : thou hast destroyed all them that commit fornication against thee.
27 But it is good for me to hold me fast by God, to put my trust in the Lord God : and to speak of all thy works in the gates of the daughter of Sion.

PSALM 74. *Ut quid, Deus?*

O GOD, wherefore art thou absent from us so long : why is thy wrath so hot against the sheep of thy pasture?
2 O think upon thy congregation : whom thou hast purchased, and redeemed of old.
3 Think upon the tribe of thine inheritance : and mount Sion, wherein thou hast dwelt.
4 Lift up thy feet, that thou mayest utterly destroy every enemy : which hath done evil in thy sanctuary.
5 Thine adversaries roar in the midst of thy congregations : and set up their banners for tokens.
6 He that hewed timber afore out of the thick trees : was known to bring it to an excellent work.

7 But now they break down all the carved work thereof : with axes and hammers.
8 They have set fire upon thy holy places : and have defiled the dwelling-place of thy Name, even unto the ground.
9 Yea, they said in their hearts, Let us make havock of them altogether : thus have they burnt up all the houses of God in the land.
10 We see not our tokens, there is not one prophet more : no, not one is there among us, that understandeth any more.
11 O God, how long shall the adversary do this dishonour : how long shall the enemy blaspheme thy Name, for ever?
12 Why withdrawest thou thy hand : why pluckest thou not thy right hand out of thy bosom to consume the enemy?
13 For God is my King of old : the help that is done upon earth he doeth it himself.
14 Thou didst divide the sea through thy power : thou brakest the heads of the dragons in the waters.
15 Thou smotest the heads of Leviathan in pieces : and gavest him to be meat for the people in the wilderness.
16 Thou broughtest out fountains and waters out of the hard rocks : thou driedst up mighty waters.
17 The day is thine, and the night is thine : thou hast prepared the light and the sun.
18 Thou hast set all the borders of the earth : thou hast made summer and winter.
19 Remember this, O Lord, how the enemy hath rebuked : and how the foolish people hath blasphemed thy Name.

20 O deliver not the soul of thy turtle-dove unto the multitude of the enemies : and forget not the congregation of the poor for ever.
21 Look upon the covenant : for all the earth is full of darkness, and cruel habitations.
22 O let not the simple go away ashamed : but let the poor and needy give praise unto thy Name.
23 Arise, O God, maintain thine own cause : remember how the foolish man blasphemeth thee daily.
24 Forget not the voice of thine enemies : the presumption of them that hate thee increaseth ever more and more.

Day 15. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 75. *Confitebimur tibi.*

UNTO thee, O God, do we give thanks : yea, unto thee do we give thanks.
2 Thy Name also is so nigh : and that do thy wondrous works declare.
3 When I receive the congregation : I shall judge according unto right.
4 The earth is weak, and all the inhabiters thereof : I bear up the pillars of it.
5 I said unto the fools, Deal not so madly : and to the ungodly, Set not up your horn.
6 Set not up your horn on high : and speak not with a stiff neck.
7 For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west : nor yet from the south.
8 And why? God is the Judge : he putteth down one, and setteth up another.

9 For in the hand of the Lord there is a cup, and the wine is red : it is full mixed, and he poureth out of the same.

10 As for the dregs thereof : all the ungodly of the earth shall drink them, and suck them out.

11 But I will talk of the God of Jacob : and praise him for ever.

12 All the horns of the ungodly also will I break : and the horns of the righteous shall be exalted.

PSALM 76. *Notus in Judæa.*

IN Jewry is God known : his Name is great in Israel.

2 At Salem is his tabernacle : and his dwelling in Sion.

3 There brake he the arrows of the bow : the shield, the sword, and the battle.

4 Thou art of more honour and might : than the hills of the robbers.

5 The proud are robbed, they have slept their sleep : and all the men whose hands were mighty have found nothing.

6 At thy rebuke, O God of Jacob : both the chariot and horse are fallen.

7 Thou, even thou art to be feared : and who may stand in thy sight when thou art angry ?

8 Thou didst cause thy judgement to be heard from heaven : the earth trembled, and was still,

9 When God arose to judgement : and to help all the meek upon earth.

10 The fierceness of man shall turn to thy praise : and the fierceness of them shalt thou refrain.

11 Promise unto the Lord your God, and keep it, all ye that are round about him : bring presents unto him that ought to be feared.

12 He shall refrain the spirit of princes : and is wonderful among the kings of the earth.

PSALM 77. *Voce mea ad Dominum.*

I WILL cry unto God with my voice : even unto God will I cry with my voice, and he shall hearken unto me.

2 In the time of my trouble I sought the Lord : my sore ran, and ceased not in the night-season ; my soul refused comfort.

3 When I am in heaviness, I will think upon God : when my heart is vexed, I will complain.

4 Thou holdest mine eyes waking : I am so feeble, that I cannot speak.

5 I have considered the days of old : and the years that are past.

6 I call to remembrance my song : and in the night I commune with mine own heart, and search out my spirits.

7 Will the Lord absent himself for ever : and will he be no more intreated ?

8 Is his mercy clean gone for ever : and is his promise come utterly to an end for evermore ?

9 Hath God forgotten to be gracious : and will he shut up his loving-kindness in displeasure ?

10 And I said, It is mine own infirmity : but I will remember the years of the right hand of the most Highest.

11 I will remember the works of the Lord : and call to mind thy wonders of old time.
12 I will think also of all thy works : and my talking shall be of thy doings.
13 Thy way, O God, is holy : who is so great a God as our God ?
14 Thou art the God that doeth wonders : and hast declared thy power among the people.
15 Thou hast mightily delivered thy people : even the sons of Jacob and Joseph.
16 The waters saw thee, O God, the waters saw thee, and were afraid : the depths also were troubled.
17 The clouds poured out water, the air thundered : and thine arrows went abroad.
18 The voice of thy thunder was heard round about : the lightnings shone upon the ground ; the earth was moved, and shook withal.
19 Thy way is in the sea, and thy paths in the great waters : and thy footsteps are not known.
20 Thou leddest thy people like sheep : by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

Day 15. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 78. *Attendite, popule.*

HEAR my law, O my people : incline your ears unto the words of my mouth.
2 I will open my mouth in a parable : I will declare hard sentences of old :
3 Which we have heard and known : and such as our fathers have told us ;

4 That we should not hide them from the children of the generations to come : but to shew the honour of the Lord, his mighty and wonderful works that he hath done.

5 He made a covenant with Jacob, and gave Israel a law : which he commanded our forefathers to teach their children ;

6 That their posterity might know it : and the children which were yet unborn ;

7 To the intent that when they came up : they might shew their children the same ;

8 That they might put their trust in God : and not to forget the works of God, but to keep his commandments ;

9 And not to be as their forefathers, a faithless and stubborn generation : a generation that set not their heart aright, and whose spirit cleaveth not stedfastly unto God ;

10 Like as the children of Ephraim : who being harnessed, and carrying bows, turned themselves back in the day of battle.

11 They kept not the covenant of God : and would not walk in his law ;

12 But forgat what he had done : and the wonderful works that he had shewed for them.

13 Marvellous things did he in the sight of our forefathers, in the land of Egypt : even in the field of Zoan.

14 He divided the sea, and let them go through : he made the waters to stand on an heap.

15 In the day-time also he led them with a cloud : and all the night through with a light of fire.

16 He clave the hard rocks in the wilderness : and gave them drink thereof, as it had been out of the great depth.

17 He brought waters out of the stony rock : so that it gushed out like the rivers.

18 Yet for all this they sinned more against him : and provoked the most Highest in the wilderness.

19 They tempted God in their hearts : and required meat for their lust.

20 They spake against God also, saying : Shall God prepare a table in the wilderness?

21 He smote the stony rock indeed, that the water gushed out, and the streams flowed withal : but can he give bread also, or provide flesh for his people?

22 When the Lord heard this, he was wroth : so the fire was kindled in Jacob, and there came up heavy displeasure against Israel;

23 Because they believed not in God : and put not their trust in his help.

24 So he commanded the clouds above : and opened the doors of heaven.

25 He rained down manna also upon them for to eat : and gave them food from heaven.

26 So man did eat angels' food : for he sent them meat enough.

27 He caused the east-wind to blow under heaven : and through his power he brought in the south-west-wind.

28 He rained flesh upon them as thick as dust : and feathered fowls like as the sand of the sea.

29 He let it fall among their tents : even round about their habitation.

30 So they did eat, and were well filled ; for he gave them their own desire : they were not disappointed of their lust.

31 But while the meat was yet in their mouths, the heavy wrath of God came upon them, and slew the wealthiest of them : yea, and smote down the chosen men that were in Israel.

32 But for all this they sinned yet more : and believed not his wondrous works.

33 Therefore their days did he consume in vanity : and their years in trouble.

34 When he slew them, they sought him : and turned them early, and enquired after God.

35 And they remembered that God was their strength : and that the high God was their redeemer.

36 Nevertheless, they did but flatter him with their mouth : and dissembled with him in their tongue.

37 For their heart was not whole with him : neither continued they stedfast in his covenant.

38 But he was so merciful, that he forgave their misdeeds : and destroyed them not.

39 Yea, many a time turned he his wrath away : and would not suffer his whole displeasure to arise.

40 For he considered that they were but flesh : and that they were even a wind that passeth away, and cometh not again.

41 Many a time did they provoke him in the wilderness : and grieved him in the desert.

42 They turned back, and tempted God : and moved the Holy One in Israel.
43 They thought not of his hand : and of the day when he delivered them from the hand of the enemy ;
44 How he had wrought his miracles in Egypt : and his wonders in the field of Zoan.
45 He turned their waters into blood : so that they might not drink of the rivers.
46 He sent lice among them, and devoured them up : and frogs to destroy them.
47 He gave their fruit unto the caterpillar : and their labour unto the grasshopper.
48 He destroyed their vines with hail-stones : and their mulberry-trees with the frost.
49 He smote their cattle also with hail-stones : and their flocks with hot thunder-bolts.
50 He cast upon them the furiousness of his wrath, anger, displeasure, and trouble : and sent evil angels among them.
51 He made a way to his indignation, and spared not their soul from death : but gave their life over to the pestilence ;
52 And smote all the first-born in Egypt : the most principal and mightiest in the dwellings of Ham.
53 But as for his own people, he led them forth like sheep : and carried them in the wilderness like a flock.
54 He brought them out safely, that they should not fear : and overwhelmed their enemies with the sea.
55 And brought them within the borders of

his sanctuary : even to his mountain which he purchased with his right hand.
56 He cast out the heathen also before them : caused their land to be divided among them for an heritage, and made the tribes of Israel to dwell in their tents.
57 So they tempted, and displeased the most high God : and kept not his testimonies ;
58 But turned their backs, and fell away like their forefathers : starting aside like a broken bow.
59 For they grieved him with their hill-altars : and provoked him to displeasure with their images.
60 When God heard this, he was wroth : and took sore displeasure at Israel.
61 So that he forsook the tabernacle in Silo : even the tent that he had pitched among men.
62 He delivered their power into captivity : and their beauty into the enemy's hand.
63 He gave his people over also unto the sword : and was wroth with his inheritance.
64 The fire consumed their young men : and their maidens were not given to marriage.
65 Their priests were slain with the sword : and there were no widows to make lamentation.
66 So the Lord awaked as one out of sleep : and like a giant refreshed with wine.
67 He smote his enemies in the hinder parts : and put them to a perpetual shame.
68 He refused the tabernacle of Joseph : and chose not the tribe of Ephraim ;

69 But chose the tribe of Judah : even the hill of Sion which he loved.
70 And there he built his temple on high : and laid the foundation of it like the ground which he hath made continually.
71 He chose David also his servant : and took him away from the sheep-folds.
72 As he was following the ewes great with young ones he took him : that he might feed Jacob his people, and Israel his inheritance.
73 So he fed them with a faithful and true heart : and ruled them prudently with all his power.

Day 16. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 79. *Deus, venerunt.*

O GOD, the heathen are come into thine inheritance : thy holy temple have they defiled, and made Jerusalem an heap of stones.
2 The dead bodies of thy servants have they given to be meat unto the fowls of the air : and the flesh of thy saints unto the beasts of the land.
3 Their blood have they shed like water on every side of Jerusalem : and there was no man to bury them.
4 We are become an open shame to our enemies : a very scorn and derision unto them that are round about us.
5 Lord, how long wilt thou be angry : shall thy jealousy burn like fire for ever?
6 Pour out thine indignation upon the heathen that have not known thee : and upon

the kingdoms that have not called upon thy Name.
7 For they have devoured Jacob : and laid waste his dwelling-place.
8 O remember not our old sins, but have mercy upon us, and that soon : for we are come to great misery.
9 Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy Name : O deliver us, and be merciful unto our sins, for thy Name's sake.
10 Wherefore do the heathen say : Where is now their God?
11 O let the vengeance of thy servants' blood that is shed : be openly shewed upon the heathen in our sight.
12 O let the sorrowful sighing of the prisoners come before thee : according to the greatness of thy power, preserve thou those that are appointed to die.
13 And for the blasphemy wherewith our neighbours have blasphemed thee : reward thou them, O Lord, seven-fold into their bosom.
14 So we, that are thy people, and sheep of thy pasture, shall give thee thanks for ever : and will alway be shewing forth thy praise from generation to generation.

PSALM 80. *Qui regis Israel.*

HEAR, O thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep : shew thyself also, thou that sittest upon the cherubims.
2 Before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasses : stir up thy strength, and come, and help us.

3 Turn us again, O God : shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.
4 O Lord God of hosts : how long wilt thou be angry with thy people that prayeth ?
5 Thou feedest them with the bread of tears : and givest them plenteousness of tears to drink.
6 Thou hast made us a very strife unto our neighbours : and our enemies laugh us to scorn.
7 Turn us again, thou God of hosts : shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.
8 Thou hast brought a vine out of Egypt : thou hast cast out the heathen, and planted it.
9 Thou madest room for it : and when it had taken root it filled the land.
10 The hills were covered with the shadow of it : and the boughs thereof were like the goodly cedar-trees.
11 She stretched out her branches unto the sea : and her boughs unto the river.
12 Why hast thou then broken down her hedge : that all they that go by pluck off her grapes ?
13 The wild boar out of the wood doth root it up : and the wild beasts of the field devour it.
14 Turn thee again, thou God of hosts, look down from heaven : behold, and visit this vine ;
15 And the place of the vineyard that thy right hand hath planted : and the branch that thou madest so strong for thyself.
16 It is burnt with fire, and cut down : and

they shall perish at the rebuke of thy countenance.
17 Let thy hand be upon the man of thy right hand : and upon the son of man, whom thou madest so strong for thine own self.
18 And so will not we go back from thee : O let us live, and we shall call upon thy Name.
19 Turn us again, O Lord God of hosts : shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

PSALM 81. *Exultate Deo.*

SING we merrily unto God our strength : make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob.
2 Take the psalm, bring hither the tabret : the merry harp with the lute.
3 Blow up the trumpet in the new-moon : even in the time appointed, and upon our solemn feast-day.
4 For this was made a statute for Israel : and a law of the God of Jacob.
5 This he ordained in Joseph for a testimony : when he came out of the land of Egypt, and had heard a strange language.
6 I eased his shoulder from the burden : and his hands were delivered from making the pots.
7 Thou calledst upon me in troubles, and I delivered thee : and heard thee what time as the storm fell upon thee.
8 I proved thee also : at the waters of strife.
9 Hear, O my people, and I will assure thee, O Israel : if thou wilt hearken unto me,

10 There shall no strange god be in thee : neither shalt thou worship any other god.
11 I am the Lord thy God, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt : open thy mouth wide, and I shall fill it.
12 But my people would not hear my voice : and Israel would not obey me.
13 So I gave them up unto their own hearts' lusts : and let them follow their own imaginations.
14 O that my people would have hearkened unto me : for if Israel had walked in my ways,
15 I should soon have put down their enemies : and turned my hand against their adversaries.
16 The haters of the Lord should have been found liars : but their time should have endured for ever.
17 He should have fed them also with the finest wheat-flour : and with honey out of the stony rock should I have satisfied thee.

Day 16. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 82. *Deus stetit.*

GOD standeth in the congregation of princes : he is a Judge among gods.
2 How long will ye give wrong judgement : and accept the persons of the ungodly?
3 Defend the poor and fatherless : see that such as are in need and necessity have right.
4 Deliver the out-cast and poor : save them from the hand of the ungodly.
5 They will not be learned nor understand,

but walk on still in darkness : all the foundations of the earth are out of course.
6 I have said, Ye are gods : and ye are all the children of the most Highest.
7 But ye shall die like men : and fall like one of the princes.
8 Arise, O God, and judge thou the earth : for thou shalt take all heathen to thine inheritance.

PSALM 83. *Deus, quis similis?*

HOLD not thy tongue, O God, keep not still silence : refrain not thyself, O God.
2 For lo, thine enemies make a murmuring : and they that hate thee have lift up their head.
3 They have imagined craftily against thy people : and taken counsel against thy secret ones.
4 They have said, Come, and let us root them out, that they be no more a people : and that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance.
5 For they have cast their heads together with one consent : and are confederate against thee ;
6 The tabernacles of the Edomites, and the Ismaelites : the Moabites, and Hagarens ;
7 Gebal, and Ammon, and Amalek : the Philistines, with them that dwell at Tyre.
8 Assur also is joined with them : and have holpen the children of Lot.
9 But do thou to them as unto the Madianites : unto Sisera, and unto Jabin at the brook of Kison ;

10 Who perished at Endor : and became as the dung of the earth.
11 Make them and their princes like Oreb and Zeb : yea, make all their princes like as Zeba and Salmana ;
12 Who say, Let us take to ourselves : the houses of God in possession.
13 O my God, make them like unto a wheel : and as the stubble before the wind ;
14 Like as the fire that burneth up the wood : and as the flame that consumeth the mountains.
15 Persecute them even so with thy tempest : and make them afraid with thy storm.
16 Make their faces ashamed, O Lord : that they may seek thy Name.
17 Let them be confounded and vexed ever more and more : let them be put to shame, and perish.
18 And they shall know that thou, whose Name is Jehovah : art only the most Highest over all the earth.

PSALM 84. *Quam dilecta!*

O HOW amiable are thy dwellings : thou Lord of hosts !
2 My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord : my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
3 Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young : even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
4 Blessed are they that dwell in thy house : they will be alway praising thee.

5 Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee : in whose heart are thy ways.
6 Who going through the vale of misery use it for a well : and the pools are filled with water.
7 They will go from strength to strength : and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion.
8 O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer : hearken, O God of Jacob.
9 Behold, O God our defender : and look upon the face of thine Anointed.
10 For one day in thy courts : is better than a thousand.
11 I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God : than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness.
12 For the Lord God is a light and defence : the Lord will give grace and worship, and no good thing shall he withhold from them that live a godly life.
13 O Lord God of hosts : blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee.

PSALM 85. *Benedixisti, Domine.*

LORD, thou art become gracious unto thy land : thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob.
2 Thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people : and covered all their sins.
3 Thou hast taken away all thy displeasure : and turned thyself from thy wrathful indignation.
4 Turn us then, O God our Saviour : and let thine anger cease from us.
5 Wilt thou be displeased at us for ever :

and wilt thou stretch out thy wrath from one generation to another?
6 Wilt thou not turn again, and quicken us: that thy people may rejoice in thee?
7 Shew us thy mercy, O Lord: and grant us thy salvation.
8 I will hearken what the Lord God will say concerning me: for he shall speak peace unto his people, and to his saints, that they turn not again.
9 For his salvation is nigh them that fear him: that glory may dwell in our land.
10 Mercy and truth are met together: righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
11 Truth shall flourish out of the earth: and righteousness hath looked down from heaven.
12 Yea, the Lord shall shew loving-kindness: and our land shall give her increase.
13 Righteousness shall go before him: and he shall direct his going in the way.

Day 17. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 86. *Inclina, Domine.*

BOW down thine ear, O Lord, and hear me: for I am poor, and in misery.
2 Preserve thou my soul, for I am holy: my God, save thy servant that putteth his trust in thee.
3 Be merciful unto me, O Lord: for I will call daily upon thee.
4 Comfort the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.
5 For thou, Lord, art good and gracious:

and of great mercy unto all them that call upon thee.
6 Give ear, Lord, unto my prayer : and ponder the voice of my humble desires.
7 In the time of my trouble I will call upon thee : for thou hearest me.
8 Among the gods there is none like unto thee, O Lord : there is not one that can do as thou doest.
9 All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship thee, O Lord : and shall glorify thy Name.
10 For thou art great, and doest wondrous things : thou art God alone.
11 Teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in thy truth : O knit my heart unto thee, that I may fear thy Name.
12 I will thank thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart : and will praise thy Name for evermore.
13 For great is thy mercy toward me : and thou hast delivered my soul from the nethermost hell.
14 O God, the proud are risen against me : and the congregations of naughty men have sought after my soul, and have not set thee before their eyes.
15 But thou, O Lord God, art full of compassion and mercy : long-suffering, plenteous in goodness and truth.
16 O turn thee then unto me, and have mercy upon me : give thy strength unto thy servant, and help the son of thine handmaid.
17 Shew some token upon me for good, that they who hate me may see it, and be

ashamed : because thou, Lord, hast holpen me, and comforted me.

PSALM 87. *Fundamenta ejus.*

HER foundations are upon the holy hills : the Lord loveth the gates of Sion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.

2 Very excellent things are spoken of thee : thou city of God.

3 I will think upon Rahab and Babylon : with them that know me.

4 Behold ye the Philistines also : and they of Tyre, with the Morians ; lo, there was he born.

5 And of Sion it shall be reported that he was born in her : and the most High shall stablish her.

6 The Lord shall rehearse it when he writeth up the people : that he was born there.

7 The singers also and trumpeters shall he rehearse : All my fresh springs shall be in thee.

PSALM 88. *Domine Deus.*

O LORD God of my salvation, I have cried day and night before thee : O let my prayer enter into thy presence, incline thine ear unto my calling.

2 For my soul is full of trouble : and my life draweth nigh unto hell.

3 I am counted as one of them that go down into the pit : and I have been even as a man that hath no strength.

4 Free among the dead, like unto them that are wounded, and lie in the grave : who are

out of remembrance, and are cut away from thy hand.
5 Thou hast laid me in the lowest pit : in a place of darkness, and in the deep.
6 Thine indignation lieth hard upon me : and thou hast vexed me with all thy storms.
7 Thou hast put away mine acquaintance far from me : and made me to be abhorred of them.
8 I am so fast in prison : that I cannot get forth.
9 My sight faileth for very trouble : Lord, I have called daily upon thee, I have stretched forth my hands unto thee.
10 Dost thou shew wonders among the dead : or shall the dead rise up again, and praise thee ?
11 Shall thy loving-kindness be shewed in the grave : or thy faithfulness in destruction?
12 Shall thy wondrous works be known in the dark : and thy righteousness in the land where all things are forgotten ?
13 Unto thee have I cried, O Lord : and early shall my prayer come before thee.
14 Lord, why abhorrest thou my soul : and hidest thou thy face from me ?
15 I am in misery, and like unto him that is at the point to die : even from my youth up thy terrors have I suffered with a troubled mind.
16 Thy wrathful displeasure goeth over me : and the fear of thee hath undone me.
17 They came round about me daily like water : and compassed me together on every side.

18 My lovers and friends hast thou put away from me : and hid mine acquaintance out of my sight.

Day 17. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 89. *Misericordias Domini.*

MY song shall be alway of the loving-kindness of the Lord : with my mouth will I ever be shewing thy truth from one generation to another.

2 For I have said, Mercy shall be set up for ever : thy truth shalt thou stablish in the heavens.

3 I have made a covenant with my chosen : I have sworn unto David my servant ;

4 Thy seed will I stablish for ever : and set up thy throne from one generation to another.

5 O Lord, the very heavens shall praise thy wondrous works : and thy truth in the congregation of the saints.

6 For who is he among the clouds : that shall be compared unto the Lord ?

7 And what is he among the gods : that shall be like unto the Lord ?

8 God is very greatly to be feared in the council of the saints : and to be had in reverence of all them that are round about him.

9 O Lord God of hosts, who is like unto thee : thy truth, most mighty Lord, is on every side.

10 Thou rulest the raging of the sea : thou stillest the waves thereof when they arise.

11 Thou hast subdued Egypt, and destroyed it : thou hast scattered thine enemies abroad with thy mighty arm.

12 The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine : thou hast laid the foundation of the round world, and all that therein is.

13 Thou hast made the north and the south : Tabor and Hermon shall rejoice in thy Name.

14 Thou hast a mighty arm : strong is thy hand, and high is thy right hand.

15 Righteousness and equity are the habitation of thy seat : mercy and truth shall go before thy face.

16 Blessed is the people, O Lord, that can rejoice in thee : they shall walk in the light of thy countenance.

17 Their delight shall be daily in thy Name : and in thy righteousness shall they make their boast.

18 For thou art the glory of their strength : and in thy loving-kindness thou shalt lift up our horns.

19 For the Lord is our defence : the Holy One of Israel is our King.

20 Thou spakest sometime in visions unto thy saints, and saidst : I have laid help upon one that is mighty; I have exalted one chosen out of the people.

21 I have found David my servant : with my holy oil have I anointed him.

22 My hand shall hold him fast : and my arm shall strengthen him.

23 The enemy shall not be able to do him violence : the son of wickedness shall not hurt him.

24 I will smite down his foes before his face : and plague them that hate him.
25 My truth also and my mercy shall be with him : and in my Name shall his horn be exalted.
26 I will set his dominion also in the sea : and his right hand in the floods.
27 He shall call me, Thou art my Father : my God, and my strong salvation.
28 And I will make him my first-born : higher than the kings of the earth.
29 My mercy will I keep for him for evermore : and my covenant shall stand fast with him.
30 His seed also will I make to endure for ever : and his throne as the days of heaven.
31 But if his children forsake my law : and walk not in my judgements;
32 If they break my statutes, and keep not my commandments : I will visit their offences with the rod, and their sin with scourges.
33 Nevertheless, my loving-kindness will I not utterly take from him : nor suffer my truth to fail.
34 My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips : I have sworn once by my holiness, that I will not fail David.
35 His seed shall endure for ever : and his seat is like as the sun before me.
36 He shall stand fast for evermore as the moon : and as the faithful witness in heaven.
37 But thou hast abhorred and forsaken thine Anointed : and art displeased at him.

38 Thou hast broken the covenant of thy servant : and cast his crown to the ground.
39 Thou hast overthrown all his hedges : and broken down his strong holds.
40 All they that go by spoil him : and he is become a reproach to his neighbours.
41 Thou hast set up the right hand of his enemies : and made all his adversaries to rejoice.
42 Thou hast taken away the edge of his sword : and givest him not victory in the battle.
43 Thou hast put out his glory : and cast his throne down to the ground.
44 The days of his youth hast thou shortened : and covered him with dishonour.
45 Lord, how long wilt thou hide thyself, for ever : and shall thy wrath burn like fire?
46 O remember how short my time is : wherefore hast thou made all men for nought?
47 What man is he that liveth, and shall not see death : and shall he deliver his soul from the hand of hell?
48 Lord, where are thy old loving-kindnesses : which thou swarest unto David in thy truth?
49 Remember, Lord, the rebuke that thy servants have : and how I do bear in my bosom the rebukes of many people;
50 Wherewith thine enemies have blasphemed thee, and slandered the footsteps of thine Anointed : Praised be the Lord for evermore. Amen, and Amen.

Day 18. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 90. *Domine, refugium.*

LORD, thou hast been our refuge : from one generation to another.

2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made : thou art God from everlasting, and world without end.

3 Thou turnest man to destruction : again thou sayest, Come again, ye children of men.

4 For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday : seeing that is past as a watch in the night.

5 As soon as thou scatterest them they are even as a sleep : and fade away suddenly like the grass.

6 In the morning it is green, and groweth up : but in the evening it is cut down, dried up, and withered.

7 For we consume away in thy displeasure : and are afraid at thy wrathful indignation.

8 Thou hast set our misdeeds before thee : and our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.

9 For when thou art angry all our days are gone : we bring our years to an end, as it were a tale that is told.

10 The days of our age are threescore years and ten; and though men be so strong that they come to fourscore years : yet is their strength then but labour and sorrow; so soon passeth it away, and we are gone.

11 But who regardeth the power of thy

wrath : for even thereafter as a man feareth, so is thy displeasure.
12 So teach us to number our days : that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.
13 Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last : and be gracious unto thy servants.
14 O satisfy us with thy mercy, and that soon : so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.
15 Comfort us again now after the time that thou hast plagued us : and for the years wherein we have suffered adversity.
16 Shew thy servants thy work : and their children thy glory.
17 And the glorious Majesty of the Lord our God be upon us : prosper thou the work of our hands upon us, O prosper thou our handy-work.

PSALM 91. *Qui habitat.*

WHOSO dwelleth under the defence of the most High : shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.
2 I will say unto the Lord, Thou art my hope, and my strong hold : my God, in him will I trust.
3 For he shall deliver thee from the snare of the hunter : and from the noisome pestilence.
4 He shall defend thee under his wings, and thou shalt be safe under his feathers : his faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler.
5 Thou shalt not be afraid for any terror by night : nor for the arrow that flieth by day ;

6 For the pestilence that walketh in darkness : nor for the sickness that destroyeth in the noon-day.
7 A thousand shall fall beside thee, and ten thousand at thy right hand : but it shall not come nigh thee.
8 Yea, with thine eyes shalt thou behold : and see the reward of the ungodly.
9 For thou, Lord, art my hope : thou hast set thine house of defence very high.
10 There shall no evil happen unto thee : neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.
11 For he shall give his angels charge over thee : to keep thee in all thy ways.
12 They shall bear thee in their hands : that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone.
13 Thou shalt go upon the lion and adder : the young lion and the dragon shalt thou tread under thy feet.
14 Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him : I will set him up, because he hath known my Name.
15 He shall call upon me, and I will hear him : yea, I am with him in trouble ; I will deliver him, and bring him to honour.
16 With long life will I satisfy him : and shew him my salvation.

PSALM 92. *Bonum est confiteri.*

IT is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord : and to sing praises unto thy Name, O most Highest ;
2 To tell of thy loving-kindness early in the morning : and of thy truth in the night season ;

3 Upon an instrument of ten strings, and upon the lute : upon a loud instrument, and upon the harp.

4 For thou, Lord, hast made me glad through thy works : and I will rejoice in giving praise for the operations of thy hands.

5 O Lord, how glorious are thy works : thy thoughts are very deep.

6 An unwise man doth not well consider this : and a fool doth not understand it.

7 When the ungodly are green as the grass, and when all the workers of wickedness do flourish : then shall they be destroyed for ever; but thou, Lord, art the most Highest for evermore.

8 For lo, thine enemies, O Lord, lo, thine enemies shall perish : and all the workers of wickedness shall be destroyed.

9 But mine horn shall be exalted like the horn of an unicorn : for I am anointed with fresh oil.

10 Mine eye also shall see his lust of mine enemies : and mine ear shall hear his desire of the wicked that arise up against me.

11 The righteous shall flourish like a palm-tree : and shall spread abroad like a cedar in Libanus.

12 Such as are planted in the house of the Lord : shall flourish in the courts of the house of our God.

13 They also shall bring forth more fruit in their age : and shall be fat and well-liking.

14 That they may shew how true the Lord my strength is : and that there is no unrighteousness in him.

Day 18. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 93. *Dominus regnavit.*

THE Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel : the Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with strength.
2 He hath made the round world so sure : that it cannot be moved.
3 Ever since the world began hath thy seat been prepared : thou art from everlasting.
4 The floods are risen, O Lord, the floods have lift up their voice : the floods lift up their waves.
5 The waves of the sea are mighty, and rage horribly : but yet the Lord, who dwelleth on high, is mightier.
6 Thy testimonies, O Lord, are very sure : holiness becometh thine house for ever.

PSALM 94. *Deus ultionum.*

O LORD God, to whom vengeance belongeth : thou God, to whom vengeance belongeth, shew thyself.
2 Arise, thou Judge of the world : and reward the proud after their deserving.
3 Lord, how long shall the ungodly : how long shall the ungodly triumph?
4 How long shall all wicked doers speak so disdainfully : and make such proud boasting?
5 They smite down thy people, O Lord : and trouble thine heritage.
6 They murder the widow, and the stranger : and put the fatherless to death.
7 And yet they say, Tush, the Lord shall

not see : neither shall the God of Jacob regard it.
8 Take heed, ye unwise among the people : O ye fools, when will ye understand?
9 He that planted the ear, shall he not hear : or he that made the eye, shall he not see?
10 Or he that nurtureth the heathen : it is he that teacheth man knowledge, shall not he punish?
11 The Lord knoweth the thoughts of man : that they are but vain.
12 Blessed is the man whom thou chastenest, O Lord : and teachest him in thy law;
13 That thou mayest give him patience in time of adversity : until the pit be digged up for the ungodly.
14 For the Lord will not fail his people : neither will he forsake his inheritance;
15 Until righteousness turn again unto judgement : all such as are true in heart shall follow it.
16 Who will rise up with me against the wicked : or who will take my part against the evil-doers?
17 If the Lord had not helped me : it had not failed but my soul had been put to silence.
18 But when I said, My foot hath slipt : thy mercy, O Lord, held me up.
19 In the multitude of the sorrows that I had in my heart : thy comforts have refreshed my soul.
20 Wilt thou have any thing to do with the stool of wickedness : which imagineth mischief as a law?
21 They gather them together against the

soul of the righteous : and condemn the innocent blood.
22 But the Lord is my refuge : and my God is the strength of my confidence.
23 He shall recompense them their wickedness, and destroy them in their own malice : yea, the Lord our God shall destroy them.

Day 19. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 95. *Venite, exultemus.*

O COME, let us sing unto the Lord : let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.
2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving : and shew ourselves glad in him with psalms.
3 For the Lord is a great God : and a great King above all gods.
4 In his hand are all the corners of the earth : and the strength of the hills is his also.
5 The sea is his, and he made it : and his hands prepared the dry land.
6 O come, let us worship and fall down : and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
7 For he is the Lord our God : and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.
8 To-day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts : as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness;
9 When your fathers tempted me : proved me, and saw my works.
10 Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said : It is a people that do

err in their hearts, for they have not known my ways :
11 Unto whom I sware in my wrath : that they should not enter into my rest.

PSALM 96. *Cantate Domino.*

O SING unto the Lord a new song : sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.
2 Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name : be telling of his salvation from day to day.
3 Declare his honour unto the heathen : and his wonders unto all people.
4 For the Lord is great, and cannot worthily be praised : he is more to be feared than all gods.
5 As for all the gods of the heathen, they are but idols : but it is the Lord that made the heavens.
6 Glory and worship are before him : power and honour are in his sanctuary.
7 Ascribe unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people : ascribe unto the Lord worship and power.
8 Ascribe unto the Lord the honour due unto his Name : bring presents, and come into his courts.
9 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness : let the whole earth stand in awe of him.
10 Tell it out among the heathen that the Lord is King : and that it is he who hath made the round world so fast that it cannot be moved ; and how that he shall judge the people righteously.
11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad : let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is.

12 Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it : then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice before the Lord.

13 For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth : and with righteousness to judge the world, and the people with his truth.

PSALM 97. *Dominus regnavit.*

THE Lord is King, the earth may be glad thereof : yea, the multitude of the isles may be glad thereof.

2 Clouds and darkness are round about him : righteousness and judgement are the habitation of his seat.

3 There shall go a fire before him : and burn up his enemies on every side.

4 His lightnings gave shine unto the world : the earth saw it, and was afraid.

5 The hills melted like wax at the presence of the Lord : at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

6 The heavens have declared his righteousness : and all the people have seen his glory.

7 Confounded be all they that worship carved images, and that delight in vain gods : worship him, all ye gods.

8 Sion heard of it, and rejoiced : and the daughters of Judah were glad, because of thy judgements, O Lord.

9 For thou, Lord, art higher than all that are in the earth : thou art exalted far above all gods.

10 O ye that love the Lord, see that ye hate the thing which is evil : the Lord preserveth the souls of his saints ; he shall deliver them from the hand of the ungodly.

11 There is sprung up a light for the righteous : and joyful gladness for such as are true-hearted.

12 Rejoice in the Lord, ye righteous : and give thanks for a remembrance of his holiness.

Day 19. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 98. *Cantate Domino.*

O SING unto the Lord a new song : for he hath done marvellous things.

2 With his own right hand, and with his holy arm : hath he gotten himself the victory.

3 The Lord declared his salvation : his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.

4 He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of Israel : and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.

5 Shew yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands : sing, rejoice, and give thanks.

6 Praise the Lord upon the harp : sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving.

7 With trumpets also, and shawms : O shew yourselves joyful before the Lord the King.

8 Let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is : the round world, and they that dwell therein.

9 Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord : for he is come to judge the earth.

10 With righteousness shall he judge the world : and the people with equity.

PSALM 99. *Dominus regnavit.*

THE Lord is King, be the people never so impatient : he sitteth between the cherubims, be the earth never so unquiet.

2 The Lord is great in Sion : and high above all people.

3 They shall give thanks unto thy Name : which is great, wonderful, and holy.

4 The king's power loveth judgement ; thou hast prepared equity : thou hast executed judgement and righteousness in Jacob.

5 O magnify the Lord our God : and fall down before his footstool, for he is holy.

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among such as call upon his Name : these called upon the Lord, and he heard them.

7 He spake unto them out of the cloudy pillar : for they kept his testimonies, and the law that he gave them.

8 Thou heardest them, O Lord our God : thou forgavest them, O God, and punishedst their own inventions.

9 O magnify the Lord our God, and worship him upon his holy hill : for the Lord our God is holy.

PSALM 100. *Jubilate Deo.*

O BE joyful in the Lord, all ye lands : serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

2 Be ye sure that the Lord he is God : it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves ; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

3 O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise : be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

4 For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting : and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

PSALM 101. *Misericordiam et judicium.*

MY song shall be of mercy and judgement : unto thee, O Lord, will I sing.

2 O let me have understanding : in the way of godliness.

3 When wilt thou come unto me : I will walk in my house with a perfect heart.

4 I will take no wicked thing in hand ; I hate the sins of unfaithfulness : there shall no such cleave unto me.

5 A froward heart shall depart from me : I will not know a wicked person.

6 Whoso privily slandereth his neighbour : him will I destroy.

7 Whoso hath also a proud look and high stomach : I will not suffer him.

8 Mine eyes look upon such as are faithful in the land : that they may dwell with me.

9 Whoso leadeth a godly life : he shall be my servant.

10 There shall no deceitful person dwell in my house : he that telleth lies shall not tarry in my sight.

11 I shall soon destroy all the ungodly that are in the land : that I may root out all wicked doers from the city of the Lord.

Day 20. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 102. *Domine, exaudi.*

HEAR my prayer, O Lord : and let my crying come unto thee.

2 Hide not thy face from me in the time of my trouble : incline thine ear unto me when I call ; O hear me, and that right soon.

3 For my days are consumed away like smoke : and my bones are burnt up as it were a fire-brand.

4 My heart is smitten down, and withered like grass : so that I forget to eat my bread.

5 For the voice of my groaning : my bones will scarce cleave to my flesh.

6 I am become like a pelican in the wilderness : and like an owl that is in the desert.

7 I have watched, and am even as it were a sparrow : that sitteth alone upon the house-top.

8 Mine enemies revile me all the day long : and they that are mad upon me are sworn together against me.

9 For I have eaten ashes as it were bread : and mingled my drink with weeping;

10 And that because of thine indignation and wrath : for thou hast taken me up, and cast me down.

11 My days are gone like a shadow : and I am withered like grass.

12 But, thou, O Lord, shalt endure for ever : and thy remembrance throughout all generations.

13 Thou shalt arise, and have mercy upon

Sion : for it is time that thou have mercy upon her, yea, the time is come.
14 And why? thy servants think upon her stones : and it pitieth them to see her in the dust.
15 The heathen shall fear thy Name, O Lord : and all the kings of the earth thy Majesty;
16 When the Lord shall build up Sion : and when his glory shall appear;
17 When he turneth him unto the prayer of the poor destitute : and despiseth not their desire.
18 This shall be written for those that come after : and the people which shall be born shall praise the Lord.
19 For he hath looked down from his sanctuary : out of the heaven did the Lord behold the earth;
20 That he might hear the mournings of such as are in captivity : and deliver the children appointed unto death;
21 That they may declare the Name of the Lord in Sion : and his worship at Jerusalem;
22 When the people are gathered together : and the kingdoms also, to serve the Lord.
23 He brought down my strength in my journey : and shortened my days.
24 But I said, O my God, take me not away in the midst of mine age : as for thy years, they endure throughout all generations.
25 Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth : and the heavens are the work of thy hands.
26 They shall perish, but thou shalt endure: they all shall wax old as doth a garment;

27 And as a vesture shalt thou change them, and they shall be changed : but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail.

28 The children of thy servants shall continue : and their seed shall stand fast in thy sight.

PSALM 103. *Benedic, anima mea.*

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul : and all that is within me praise his holy Name.

2 Praise the Lord, O my soul : and forget not all his benefits ;

3 Who forgiveth all thy sin : and healeth all thine infirmities ;

4 Who saveth thy life from destruction : and crowneth thee with mercy and loving-kindness ;

5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things : making thee young and lusty as an eagle.

6 The Lord executeth righteousness and judgement : for all them that are oppressed with wrong.

7 He shewed his ways unto Moses : his works unto the children of Israel.

8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy : long-suffering, and of great goodness.

9 He will not alway be chiding : neither keepeth he his anger for ever.

10 He hath not dealt with us after our sins : nor rewarded us according to our wickednesses.

11 For look how high the heaven is in comparison of the earth : so great is his mercy also toward them that fear him.

12 Look how wide also the east is from the west : so far hath he set our sins from us.

13 Yea, like as a father pitieth his own children : even so is the Lord merciful unto them that fear him.
14 For he knoweth whereof we are made : he remembereth that we are but dust.
15 The days of man are but as grass : for he flourisheth as a flower of the field.
16 For as soon as the wind goeth over it, it is gone : and the place thereof shall know it no more.
17 But the merciful goodness of the Lord endureth for ever and ever upon them that fear him : and his righteousness upon children's children ;
18 Even upon such as keep his covenant : and think upon his commandments to do them.
19 The Lord hath prepared his seat in heaven : and his kingdom ruleth over all.
20 O praise the Lord, ye angels of his, ye that excel in strength : ye that fulfil his commandment, and hearken unto the voice of his words.
21 O praise the Lord, all ye his hosts : ye servants of his that do his pleasure.
22 O speak good of the Lord, all ye works of his, in all places of his dominion : praise thou the Lord, O my soul.

Day 20. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 104. *Benedic, anima mea.*

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul : O Lord my God, thou art become exceeding glorious ; thou art clothed with majesty and honour.

2 Thou deckest thyself with light as it were with a garment : and spreadest out the heavens like a curtain.
3 Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters : and maketh the clouds his chariot, and walketh upon the wings of the wind.
4 He maketh his angels spirits : and his ministers a flaming fire.
5 He laid the foundations of the earth : that it never should move at any time.
6 Thou coveredst it with the deep like as with a garment : the waters stand in the hills.
7 At thy rebuke they flee : at the voice of thy thunder they are afraid.
8 They go up as high as the hills, and down to the valleys beneath : even unto the place which thou hast appointed for them.
9 Thou hast set them their bounds which they shall not pass : neither turn again to cover the earth.
10 He sendeth the springs into the rivers : which run among the hills.
11 All beasts of the field drink thereof : and the wild asses quench their thirst.
12 Beside them shall the fowls of the air have their habitation : and sing among the branches.
13 He watereth the hills from above : the earth is filled with the fruit of thy works.
14 He bringeth forth grass for the cattle : and green herb for the service of men;
15 That he may bring food out of the earth, and wine that maketh glad the heart of man : and oil to make him a cheerful countenance, and bread to strengthen man's heart.

16 The trees of the Lord also are full of sap : even the cedars of Libanus which he hath planted;
17 Wherein the birds make their nests : and the fir-trees are a dwelling for the stork.
18 The high hills are a refuge for the wild goats : and so are the stony rocks for the conies.
19 He appointed the moon for certain seasons : and the sun knoweth his going down.
20 Thou makest darkness that it may be night : wherein all the beasts of the forest do move.
21 The lions roaring after their prey : do seek their meat from God.
22 The sun ariseth, and they get them away together : and lay them down in their dens.
23 Man goeth forth to his work, and to his labour : until the evening.
24 O Lord, how manifold are thy works : in wisdom hast thou made them all; the earth is full of thy riches.
25 So is the great and wide sea also : wherein are things creeping innumerable, both small and great beasts.
26 There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan : whom thou hast made to take his pastime therein.
27 These wait all upon thee : that thou mayest give them meat in due season.
28 When thou givest it them they gather it : and when thou openest thy hand they are filled with good.
29 When thou hidest thy face they are troubled : when thou takest away their breath

they die, and are turned again to their dust.
30 When thou lettest thy breath go forth they shall be made : and thou shalt renew the face of the earth.
31 The glorious Majesty of the Lord shall endure for ever : the Lord shall rejoice in his works.
32 The earth shall tremble at the look of him : if he do but touch the hills, they shall smoke.
33 I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live : I will praise my God while I have my being.
34 And so shall my words please him : my joy shall be in the Lord.
35 As for sinners, they shall be consumed out of the earth, and the ungodly shall come to an end : praise thou the Lord, O my soul, praise the Lord.

Day 21. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 105. *Confitemini Domino.*

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, and call upon his Name : tell the people what things he hath done.
2 O let your songs be of him, and praise him : and let your talking be of all his wondrous works.
3 Rejoice in his holy Name : let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord.
4 Seek the Lord and his strength : seek his face evermore.
5 Remember the marvellous works that he

hath done : his wonders, and the judgements of his mouth,
6 O ye seed of Abraham his servant : ye children of Jacob his chosen.
7 He is the Lord our God : his judgements are in all the world.
8 He hath been alway mindful of his covenant and promise : that he made to a thousand generations;
9 Even the covenant that he made with Abraham : and the oath that he sware unto Isaac;
10 And appointed the same unto Jacob for a law : and to Israel for an everlasting testament;
11 Saying, Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan : the lot of your inheritance;
12 When there were yet but a few of them : and they strangers in the land;
13 What time as they went from one nation to another : from one kingdom to another people;
14 He suffered no man to do them wrong : but reproved even kings for their sakes;
15 Touch not mine Anointed : and do my prophets no harm.
16 Moreover, he called for a dearth upon the land : and destroyed all the provision of bread.
17 But he had sent a man before them : even Joseph, who was sold to be a bondservant;
18 Whose feet they hurt in the stocks : the iron entered into his soul;
19 Until the time came that his cause was known : the word of the Lord tried him.

20 The king sent, and delivered him : the prince of the people let him go free.
21 He made him lord also of his house : and ruler of all his substance ;
22 That he might inform his princes after his will : and teach his senators wisdom.
23 Israel also came into Egypt : and Jacob was a stranger in the land of Ham.
24 And he increased his people exceedingly : and made them stronger than their enemies ;
25 Whose heart turned so, that they hated his people : and dealt untruly with his servants.
26 Then sent he Moses his servant : and Aaron whom he had chosen.
27 And these shewed his tokens among them : and wonders in the land of Ham.
28 He sent darkness, and it was dark : and they were not obedient unto his word.
29 He turned their waters into blood : and slew their fish.
30 Their land brought forth frogs : yea, even in their kings' chambers.
31 He spake the word, and there came all manner of flies : and lice in all their quarters.
32 He gave them hail-stones for rain : and flames of fire in their land.
33 He smote their vines also and fig-trees : and destroyed the trees that were in their coasts.
34 He spake the word, and the grasshoppers came, and caterpillars innumerable : and did eat up all the grass in their land, and devoured the fruit of their ground.

35 He smote all the first-born in their land : even the chief of all their strength.
36 He brought them forth also with silver and gold : there was not one feeble person among their tribes.
37 Egypt was glad at their departing : for they were afraid of them.
38 He spread out a cloud to be a covering : and fire to give light in the night-season.
39 At their desire he brought quails : and he filled them with the bread of heaven.
40 He opened the rock of stone, and the waters flowed out : so that rivers ran in the dry places.
41 For why? he remembered his holy promise : and Abraham his servant.
42 And he brought forth his people with joy : and his chosen with gladness;
43 And gave them the lands of the heathen : and they took the labours of the people in possession;
44 That they might keep his statutes : and observe his laws.

Day 21. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 106. *Confitemini Domino.*

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious : and his mercy endureth for ever.
2 Who can express the noble acts of the Lord : or shew forth all his praise?
3 Blessed are they that alway keep judgement : and do righteousness.
4 Remember me, O Lord, according to the

favour that thou bearest unto thy people : O visit me with thy salvation;
5 That I may see the felicity of thy chosen: and rejoice in the gladness of thy people, and give thanks with thine inheritance.
6 We have sinned with our fathers : we have done amiss, and dealt wickedly.
7 Our fathers regarded not thy wonders in Egypt, neither kept they thy great goodness in remembrance : but were disobedient at the sea, even at the Red sea.
8 Nevertheless, he helped them for his Name's sake : that he might make his power to be known.
9 He rebuked the Red sea also, and it was dried up : so he led them through the deep, as through a wilderness.
10 And he saved them from the adversary's hand : and delivered them from the hand of the enemy.
11 As for those that troubled them, the waters overwhelmed them : there was not one of them left.
12 Then believed they his words : and sang praise unto him.
13 But within a while they forgat his works : and would not abide his counsel.
14 But lust came upon them in the wilderness : and they tempted God in the desert.
15 And he gave them their desire : and sent leanness withal into their soul.
16 They angered Moses also in the tents : and Aaron the saint of the Lord.
17 So the earth opened, and swallowed up Dathan : and covered the congregation of Abiram

18 And the fire was kindled in their company : the flame burnt up the ungodly.
19 They made a calf in Horeb : and worshipped the molten image.
20 Thus they turned their glory : into the similitude of a calf that eateth hay.
21 And they forgat God their Saviour : who had done so great things in Egypt ;
22 Wondrous works in the land of Ham : and fearful things by the Red sea.
23 So he said, he would have destroyed them, had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the gap : to turn away his wrathful indignation, lest he should destroy them.
24 Yea, they thought scorn of that pleasant land : and gave no credence unto his word ;
25 But murmured in their tents : and hearkened not unto the voice of the Lord.
26 Then lift he up his hand against them : to overthrow them in the wilderness ;
27 To cast out their seed among the nations : and to scatter them in the lands.
28 They joined themselves unto Baal-peor : and ate the offerings of the dead.
29 Thus they provoked him to anger with their own inventions : and the plague was great among them.
30 Then stood up Phinees and prayed : and so the plague ceased.
31 And that was counted unto him for righteousness : among all posterities for evermore.
32 They angered him also at the waters of strife : so that he punished Moses for their sakes ;

33 Because they provoked his spirit : so that he spake unadvisedly with his lips.
34 Neither destroyed they the heathen : as the Lord commanded them ;
35 But were mingled among the heathen : and learned their works.
36 Insomuch that they worshipped their idols, which turned to their own decay : yea, they offered their sons and their daughters unto devils ;
37 And shed innocent blood, even the blood of their sons and of their daughters : whom they offered unto the idols of Canaan ; and the land was defiled with blood.
38 Thus were they stained with their own works : and went a whoring with their own inventions.
39 Therefore was the wrath of the Lord kindled against his people : insomuch that he abhorred his own inheritance.
40 And he gave them over into the hand of the heathen : and they that hated them were lords over them.
41 Their enemies oppressed them : and had them in subjection.
42 Many a time did he deliver them : but they rebelled against him with their own inventions, and were brought down in their wickedness.
43 Nevertheless, when he saw their adversity : he heard their complaint.
44 He thought upon his covenant, and pitied them, according unto the multitude of his mercies : yea, he made all those that led them away captive to pity them.
45 Deliver us, O Lord our God, and gather

us from among the heathen : that we may give thanks unto thy holy Name, and make our boast of thy praise.
46 Blessed be the Lord God of Israel from everlasting, and world without end : and let all the people say, Amen.

Day 22. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 107. *Confitemini Domino.*

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious : and his mercy endureth for ever.
2 Let them give thanks whom the Lord hath redeemed : and delivered from the hand of the enemy ;
3 And gathered them out of the lands, from the east, and from the west : from the north, and from the south.
4 They went astray in the wilderness out of the way : and found no city to dwell in ;
5 Hungry and thirsty : their soul fainted in them.
6 So they cried unto the Lord in their trouble : and he delivered them from their distress.
7 He led them forth by the right way : that they might go to the city where they dwelt.
8 O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men !
9 For he satisfieth the empty soul : and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.

10 Such as sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death : being fast bound in misery and iron ;

11 Because they rebelled against the words of the Lord : and lightly regarded the counsel of the most Highest ;

12 He also brought down their heart through heaviness : they fell down, and there was none to help them.

13 So when they cried unto the Lord in their trouble : he delivered them out of their distress.

14 For he brought them out of darkness, and out of the shadow of death : and brake their bonds in sunder.

15 O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men !

16 For he hath broken the gates of brass : and smitten the bars of iron in sunder.

17 Foolish men are plagued for their offence : and because of their wickedness.

18 Their soul abhorred all manner of meat : and they were even hard at death's door.

19 So when they cried unto the Lord in their trouble : he delivered them out of their distress.

20 He sent his word, and healed them : and they were saved from their destruction.

21 O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men !

22 That they would offer unto him the sacri-

fice of thanksgiving : and tell out his works with gladness !
23 They that go down to the sea in ships : and occupy their business in great waters ;
24 These men see the works of the Lord : and his wonders in the deep.
25 For at his word the stormy wind ariseth : which lifteth up the waves thereof.
26 They are carried up to the heaven, and down again to the deep : their soul melteth away because of the trouble.
27 They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man : and are at their wit's end.
28 So when they cry unto the Lord in their trouble : he delivereth them out of their distress.
29 For he maketh the storm to cease : so that the waves thereof are still.
30 Then are they glad, because they are at rest : and so he bringeth them unto the haven where they would be.
31 O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men !
32 That they would exalt him also in the congregation of the people : and praise him in the seat of the elders !
33 Who turneth the floods into a wilderness : and drieth up the water-springs.
34 A fruitful land maketh he barren : for the wickedness of them that dwell therein.
35 Again, he maketh the wilderness a standing water : and water-springs of a dry ground.
36 And there he setteth the hungry : that they may build them a city to dwell in :

37 That they may sow their land, and plant vineyards : to yield them fruits of increase.
38 He blesseth them, so that they multiply exceedingly : and suffereth not their cattle to decrease.
39 And again, when they are minished, and brought low : through oppression, through any plague, or trouble ;
40 Though he suffer them to be evil intreated through tyrants : and let them wander out of the way in the wilderness ;
41 Yet helpeth he the poor out of misery : and maketh him households like a flock of sheep.
42 The righteous will consider this, and rejoice : and the mouth of all wickedness shall be stopped.
43 Whoso is wise will ponder these things : and they shall understand the loving-kindness of the Lord.

Day 22. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 108. *Paratum cor meum.*

O GOD, my heart is ready, my heart is ready : I will sing and give praise with the best member that I have.
2 Awake, thou lute, and harp : I myself will awake right early.
3 I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the people : I will sing praises unto thee among the nations.
4 For thy mercy is greater than the heavens : and thy truth reacheth unto the clouds.

5 Set up thyself, O God, above the heavens : and thy glory above all the earth.
6 That thy beloved may be delivered : let thy right hand save them, and hear thou me.
7 God hath spoken in his holiness : I will rejoice therefore, and divide Sichem, and mete out the valley of Succoth.
8 Gilead is mine, and Manasses is mine : Ephraim also is the strength of my head.
9 Judah is my law-giver, Moab is my wash-pot : over Edom will I cast out my shoe ; upon Philistia will I triumph.
10 Who will lead me into the strong city : and who will bring me into Edom ?
11 Hast not thou forsaken us, O God : and wilt not thou, O God, go forth with our hosts ?
12 O help us against the enemy : for vain is the help of man.
13 Through God we shall do great acts : and it is he that shall tread down our enemies.

PSALM 109. *Deus laudem.*

HOLD not thy tongue, O God of my praise : for the mouth of the ungodly, yea, the mouth of the deceitful is opened upon me.
2 And they have spoken against me with false tongues : they compassed me about also with words of hatred, and fought against me without a cause.
3 For the love that I had unto them, lo, they take now my contrary part : but I give myself unto prayer.
4 Thus have they rewarded me evil for good : and hatred for my good will.

5 Set thou an ungodly man to be ruler over him : and let Satan stand at his right hand.
6 When sentence is given upon him, let him be condemned : and let his prayer be turned into sin.
7 Let his days be few : and let another take his office.
8 Let his children be fatherless : and his wife a widow.
9 Let his children be vagabonds, and beg their bread : let them seek it also out of desolate places.
10 Let the extortioner consume all that he hath : and let the stranger spoil his labour.
11 Let there be no man to pity him : nor to have compassion upon his fatherless children.
12 Let his posterity be destroyed : and in the next generation let his name be clean put out.
13 Let the wickedness of his fathers be had in remembrance in the sight of the Lord : and let not the sin of his mother be done away.
14 Let them alway be before the Lord : that he may root out the memorial of them from off the earth ;
15 And that, because his mind was not to do good : but persecuted the poor helpless man, that he might slay him that was vexed at the heart.
16 His delight was in cursing, and it shall happen unto him : he loved not blessing, therefore shall it be far from him.
17 He clothed himself with cursing, like as with a raiment : and it shall come into his

bowels like water, and like oil into his bones.
18 Let it be unto him as the cloke that he hath upon him : and as the girdle that he is alway girded withal.
19 Let it thus happen from the Lord unto mine enemies : and to those that speak evil against my soul.
20 But deal thou with me, O Lord God, according unto thy Name : for sweet is thy mercy.
21 O deliver me, for I am helpless and poor : and my heart is wounded within me.
22 I go hence like the shadow that departeth : and am driven away as the grasshopper.
23 My knees are weak through fasting : my flesh is dried up for want of fatness.
24 I became also a reproach unto them : they that looked upon me shaked their heads.
25 Help me, O Lord my God : O save me according to thy mercy ;
26 And they shall know, how that this is thy hand : and that thou, Lord, hast done it.
27 Though they curse, yet bless thou : and let them be confounded that rise up against me ; but let thy servant rejoice.
28 Let mine adversaries be clothed with shame : and let them cover themselves with their own confusion, as with a cloke.
29 As for me, I will give great thanks unto the Lord with my mouth : and praise him among the multitude ;
30 For he shall stand at the right hand of the poor : to save his soul from unrighteous judges.

Day 23. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 110. *Dixit Dominus.*

THE Lord said unto my Lord : Sit thou on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.

2 The Lord shall send the rod of thy power out of Sion : be thou ruler, even in the midst among thine enemies.

3 In the day of thy power shall the people offer thee free-will offerings with an holy worship : the dew of thy birth is of the womb of the morning.

4 The Lord sware, and will not repent : Thou art a Priest for ever after the order of Melchisedech.

5 The Lord upon thy right hand : shall wound even kings in the day of his wrath.

6 He shall judge among the heathen ; he shall fill the places with the dead bodies : and smite in sunder the heads over divers countries.

7 He shall drink of the brook in the way : therefore shall he lift up his head.

PSALM 111. *Confitebor tibi.*

I WILL give thanks unto the Lord with my whole heart : secretly among the faithful, and in the congregation.

2 The works of the Lord are great : sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.

3 His work is worthy to be praised, and had in honour : and his righteousness endureth for ever.

4 The merciful and gracious Lord hath so

done his marvellous works : that they ought to be had in remembrance.
5 He hath given meat unto them that fear him : he shall ever be mindful of his covenant.
6 He hath shewed his people the power of his works : that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.
7 The works of his hands are verity and judgement : all his commandments are true.
8 They stand fast for ever and ever : and are done in truth and equity.
9 He sent redemption unto his people : he hath commanded his covenant for ever; holy and reverend is his Name.
10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom : a good understanding have all they that do thereafter ; the praise of it endureth for ever.

PSALM 112. *Beatus vir.*

BLESSED is the man that feareth the Lord : he hath great delight in his commandments.
2 His seed shall be mighty upon earth : the generation of the faithful shall be blessed.
3 Riches and plenteousness shall be in his house : and his righteousness endureth for ever.
4 Unto the godly there ariseth up light in the darkness : he is merciful, loving, and righteous.
5 A good man is merciful, and lendeth : and will guide his words with discretion.
6 For he shall never be moved : and the

righteous shall be had in everlasting remembrance.
7 He will not be afraid of any evil tidings : for his heart standeth fast, and believeth in the Lord.
8 His heart is established, and will not shrink : until he see his desire upon his enemies.
9 He hath dispersed abroad, and given to the poor : and his righteousness remaineth for ever ; his horn shall be exalted with honour.
10 The ungodly shall see it, and it shall grieve him : he shall gnash with his teeth, and consume away ; the desire of the ungodly shall perish.

PSALM 113. *Laudate, pueri.*

PRAISE the Lord, ye servants : O praise the Name of the Lord.
2 Blessed be the Name of the Lord : from this time forth for evermore.
3 The Lord's Name is praised : from the rising up of the sun unto the going down of the same.
4 The Lord is high above all heathen : and his glory above the heavens.
5 Who is like unto the Lord our God, that hath his dwelling so high : and yet humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven and earth ?
6 He taketh up the simple out of the dust : and lifteth the poor out of the mire ;
7 That he may set him with the princes : even with the princes of his people.
8 He maketh the barren woman to keep house : and to be a joyful mother of children.

Day 23. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 114. *In exitu Israel.*

WHEN Israel came out of Egypt : and the house of Jacob from among the strange people,
2 Judah was his sanctuary : and Israel his dominion.
3 The sea saw that, and fled : Jordan was driven back.
4 The mountains skipped like rams : and the little hills like young sheep.
5 What aileth thee, O thou sea, that thou fleddest : and thou Jordan, that thou wast driven back?
6 Ye mountains, that ye skipped like rams : and ye little hills, like young sheep?
7 Tremble, thou earth, at the presence of the Lord : at the presence of the God of Jacob;
8 Who turned the hard rock into a standing water : and the flint-stone into a springing well.

PSALM 115. *Non nobis, Domine.*

NOT unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy Name give the praise : for thy loving mercy, and for thy truth's sake.
2 Wherefore shall the heathen say : Where is now their God?
3 As for our God, he is in heaven : he hath done whatsoever pleased him.
4 Their idols are silver and gold : even the work of men's hands.

5 They have mouths, and speak not : eyes have they, and see not.
6 They have ears, and hear not : noses have they, and smell not.
7 They have hands, and handle not ; feet have they, and walk not : neither speak they through their throat.
8 They that make them are like unto them : and so are all such as put their trust in them.
9 But thou, house of Israel, trust thou in the Lord : he is their succour and defence.
10 Ye house of Aaron, put your trust in the Lord : he is their helper and defender.
11 Ye that fear the Lord, put your trust in the Lord : he is their helper and defender.
12 The Lord hath been mindful of us, and he shall bless us : even he shall bless the house of Israel, he shall bless the house of Aaron.
13 He shall bless them that fear the Lord : both small and great.
14 The Lord shall increase you more and more : you and your children.
15 Ye are the blessed of the Lord : who made heaven and earth.
16 All the whole heavens are the Lord's : the earth hath he given to the children of men.
17 The dead praise not thee, O Lord : neither all they that go down into silence.
18 But we will praise the Lord : from this time forth for evermore. Praise the Lord.

Day 24. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 116. *Dilexi, quoniam.*

I AM well pleased : that the Lord hath heard the voice of my prayer;
2 That he hath inclined his ear unto me : therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.
3 The snares of death compassed me round about : and the pains of hell gat hold upon me.
4 I shall find trouble and heaviness, and I will call upon the Name of the Lord : O Lord, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.
5 Gracious is the Lord, and righteous : yea, our God is merciful.
6 The Lord preserveth the simple : I was in misery, and he helped me.
7 Turn again then unto thy rest, O my soul : for the Lord hath rewarded thee.
8 And why? thou hast delivered my soul from death : mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling.
9 I will walk before the Lord : in the land of the living.
10 I believed, and therefore will I speak; but I was sore troubled : I said in my haste, All men are liars.
11 What reward shall I give unto the Lord : for all the benefits that he hath done unto me?
12 I will receive the cup of salvation : and call upon the Name of the Lord.
13 I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people : right dear in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.
14 Behold, O Lord, how that I am thy servant : I am thy servant, and the son of

thine handmaid ; thou hast broken my bonds in sunder.
15 I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving : and will call upon the Name of the Lord.
16 I will pay my vows unto the Lord, in the sight of all his people : in the courts of the Lord's house, even in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.

PSALM 117. *Laudate Dominum.*

O PRAISE the Lord, all ye heathen : praise him, all ye nations.
2 For his merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us : and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Praise the Lord.

PSALM 118. *Confitemini Domino.*

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious : because his mercy endureth for ever.
2 Let Israel now confess, that he is gracious : and that his mercy endureth for ever.
3 Let the house of Aaron now confess : that his mercy endureth for ever.
4 Yea, let them now that fear the Lord confess : that his mercy endureth for ever.
5 I called upon the Lord in trouble : and the Lord heard me at large.
6 The Lord is on my side : I will not fear what man doeth unto me.
7 The Lord taketh my part with them that help me : therefore shall I see my desire upon mine enemies.
8 It is better to trust in the Lord : than to put any confidence in man.

9 It is better to trust in the Lord : than to put any confidence in princes.

10 All nations compassed me round about : but in the Name of the Lord will I destroy them.

11 They kept me in on every side, they kept me in, I say, on every side : but in the Name of the Lord will I destroy them.

12 They came about me like bees, and are extinct even as the fire among the thorns : for in the Name of the Lord I will destroy them.

13 Thou hast thrust sore at me, that I might fall : but the Lord was my help.

14 The Lord is my strength, and my song : and is become my salvation.

15 The voice of joy and health is in the dwellings of the righteous : the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.

16 The right hand of the Lord hath the pre-eminence : the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.

17 I shall not die, but live : and declare the works of the Lord.

18 The Lord hath chastened and corrected me : but he hath not given me over unto death.

19 Open me the gates of righteousness : that I may go into them, and give thanks unto the Lord.

20 This is the gate of the Lord : the righteous shall enter into it.

21 I will thank thee, for thou hast heard me : and art become my salvation.

22 The same stone which the builders re-

fused : is become the head-stone in the corner.
23 This is the Lord's doing : and it is marvellous in our eyes.
24 This is the day which the Lord hath made : we will rejoice and be glad in it.
25 Help me now, O Lord : O Lord, send us now prosperity.
26 Blessed be he that cometh in the Name of the Lord : we have wished you good luck, ye that are of the house of the Lord.
27 God is the Lord who hath shewed us light : bind the sacrifice with cords, yea, even unto the horns of the altar.
28 Thou art my God, and I will thank thee : thou art my God, and I will praise thee.
29 O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious : and his mercy endureth for ever.

Day 24. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 119. *Beati immaculati.*

BLESSED are those that are undefiled in the way : and walk in the law of the Lord.
2 Blessed are they that keep his testimonies : and seek him with their whole heart.
3 For they who do no wickedness : walk in his ways.
4 Thou hast charged : that we shall diligently keep thy commandments.
5 O that my ways were made so direct : that I might keep thy statutes!

6 So shall I not be confounded : while I have respect unto all thy commandments.
7 I will thank thee with an unfeigned heart : when I shall have learned the judgements of thy righteousness.
8 I will keep thy ceremonies : O forsake me not utterly.

In quo corriget ?

WHEREWITHAL shall a young man cleanse his way : even by ruling himself after thy word.
10 With my whole heart have I sought thee : O let me not go wrong out of thy commandments.
11 Thy words have I hid within my heart : that I should not sin against thee.
12 Blessed art thou, O Lord : O teach me thy statutes.
13 With my lips have I been telling : of all the judgements of thy mouth.
14 I have had as great delight in the way of thy testimonies : as in all manner of riches.
15 I will talk of thy commandments : and have respect unto thy ways.
16 My delight shall be in thy statutes : and I will not forget thy word.

Retribue servo tuo.

O DO well unto thy servant : that I may live, and keep thy word.
18 Open thou mine eyes : that I may see the wondrous things of thy law.
19 I am a stranger upon earth : O hide not thy commandments from me.
20 My soul breaketh out for the very fer-

vent desire : that it hath alway unto thy judgements.
21 Thou hast rebuked the proud : and cursed are they that do err from thy commandments.
22 O turn from me shame and rebuke : for I have kept thy testimonies.
23 Princes also did sit and speak against me : but thy servant is occupied in thy statutes.
24 For thy testimonies are my delight : and my counsellors.

Adhæsit pavimento.

MY soul cleaveth to the dust : O quicken thou me, according to thy word.
26 I have acknowledged my ways, and thou heardest me : O teach me thy statutes.
27 Make me to understand the way of thy commandments : and so shall I talk of thy wondrous works.
28 My soul melteth away for very heaviness : comfort thou me according unto thy word.
29 Take from me the way of lying : and cause thou me to make much of thy law.
30 I have chosen the way of truth : and thy judgements have I laid before me.
31 I have stuck unto thy testimonies : O Lord, confound me not.
32 I will run the way of thy commandments : when thou hast set my heart at liberty.

Day 25. Morning Prayer.

Legem pone.

TEACH me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes : and I shall keep it unto the end.

34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law : yea, I shall keep it with my whole heart.

35 Make me to go in the path of thy commandments : for therein is my desire.

36 Incline my heart unto thy testimonies : and not to covetousness.

37 O turn away mine eyes, lest they behold vanity : and quicken thou me in thy way.

38 O stablish thy word in thy servant : that I may fear thee.

39 Take away the rebuke that I am afraid of : for thy judgements are good.

40 Behold, my delight is in thy commandments : O quicken me in thy righteousness.

Et veniat super me.

LET thy loving mercy come also unto me, O Lord : even thy salvation, according unto thy word.

42 So shall I make answer unto my blasphemers : for my trust is in thy word.

43 O take not the word of thy truth utterly out of my mouth : for my hope is in thy judgements.

44 So shall I alway keep thy law : yea, for ever and ever.

45 And I will walk at liberty : for I seek thy commandments.

46 I will speak of thy testimonies also, even before kings : and will not be ashamed.
47 And my delight shall be in thy commandments : which I have loved.
48 My hands also will I lift up unto thy commandments, which I have loved : and my study shall be in thy statutes.

Memor esto servi tui.

O THINK upon thy servant, as concerning thy word : wherein thou hast caused me to put my trust.
50 The same is my comfort in my trouble : for thy word hath quickened me.
51 The proud have had me exceedingly in derision : yet have I not shrinked from thy law.
52 For I remembered thine everlasting judgements, O Lord : and received comfort.
53 I am horribly afraid : for the ungodly that forsake thy law.
54 Thy statutes have been my songs : in the house of my pilgrimage.
55 I have thought upon thy Name, O Lord, in the night-season : and have kept thy law.
56 This I had : because I kept thy commandments.

Portio mea, Domine.

THOU art my portion, O Lord : I have promised to keep thy law.
58 I made my humble petition in thy presence with my whole heart : O be merciful unto me, according to thy word.
59 I called mine own ways to remembrance : and turned my feet unto thy testimonies.

60 I made haste, and prolonged not the time : to keep thy commandments.
61 The congregations of the ungodly have robbed me : but I have not forgotten thy law.
62 At midnight I will rise to give thanks unto thee : because of thy righteous judgements.
63 I am a companion of all them that fear thee : and keep thy commandments.
64 The earth, O Lord, is full of thy mercy : O teach me thy statutes.

Bonitatem fecisti.

O LORD, thou hast dealt graciously with thy servant : according unto thy word.
66 O learn me true understanding and knowledge : for I have believed thy commandments.
67 Before I was troubled, I went wrong : but now have I kept thy word.
68 Thou art good and gracious : O teach me thy statutes.
69 The proud have imagined a lie against me : but I will keep thy commandments with my whole heart.
70 Their heart is as fat as brawn : but my delight hath been in thy law.
71 It is good for me that I have been in trouble : that I may learn thy statutes.
72 The law of thy mouth is dearer unto me : than thousands of gold and silver.

Day 25. Evening Prayer.

Manus tuæ fecerunt me.

THY hands have made me and fashioned me : O give me understanding, that I may learn thy commandments.

74 They that fear thee will be glad when they see me : because I have put my trust in thy word.

75 I know, O Lord, that thy judgements are right : and that thou of very faithfulness hast caused me to be troubled.

76 O let thy merciful kindness be my comfort : according to thy word unto thy servant.

77 O let thy loving mercies come unto me, that I may live : for thy law is my delight.

78 Let the proud be confounded, for they go wickedly about to destroy me : but I will be occupied in thy commandments.

79 Let such as fear thee, and have known thy testimonies : be turned unto me.

80 O let my heart be sound in thy statutes : that I be not ashamed.

Defecit anima mea.

MY soul hath longed for thy salvation : and I have a good hope because of thy word.

82 Mine eyes long sore for thy word : saying, O when wilt thou comfort me?

83 For I am become like a bottle in the smoke : yet do I not forget thy statutes.

84 How many are the days of thy servant : when wilt thou be avenged of them that persecute me?

85 The proud have digged pits for me : which are not after thy law.
86 All thy commandments are true : they persecute me falsely; O be thou my help.
87 They had almost made an end of me upon earth : but I forsook not thy commandments.
88 O quicken me after thy loving-kindness : and so shall I keep the testimonies of thy mouth.

In æternum, Domine.

O LORD, thy word : endureth for ever in heaven.
90 Thy truth also remaineth from one generation to another : thou hast laid the foundation of the earth, and it abideth.
91 They continue this day according to thine ordinance : for all things serve thee.
92 If my delight had not been in thy law : I should have perished in my trouble.
93 I will never forget thy commandments : for with them thou hast quickened me.
94 I am thine, O save me : for I have sought thy commandments.
95 The ungodly laid wait for me to destroy me : but I will consider thy testimonies.
96 I see that all things come to an end : but thy commandment is exceeding broad.

Quomodo dilexi!

LORD, what love have I unto thy law : all the day long is my study in it.
98 Thou through thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies : for they are ever with me.

99 I have more understanding than my teachers : for thy testimonies are my study.
100 I am wiser than the aged : because I keep thy commandments.
101 I have refrained my feet from every evil way : that I may keep thy word.
102 I have not shrunk from thy judgements : for thou teachest me.
103 O how sweet are thy words unto my throat : yea, sweeter than honey unto my mouth.
104 Through thy commandments I get understanding : therefore I hate all evil ways.

Day 26. Morning Prayer.

Lucerna pedibus meis.

THY word is a lantern unto my feet : and a light unto my paths.
106 I have sworn, and am stedfastly purposed : to keep thy righteous judgements.
107 I am troubled above measure : quicken me, O Lord, according to thy word.
108 Let the free-will offerings of my mouth please thee, O Lord : and teach me thy judgements.
109 My soul is alway in my hand : yet do I not forget thy law.
110 The ungodly have laid a snare for me : but yet I swerved not from thy commandments.
111 Thy testimonies have I claimed as mine heritage for ever : and why? they are the very joy of my heart.
112 I have applied my heart to fulfil thy statutes alway : even unto the end.

Iniquos odio habui.

I HATE them that imagine evil things : but thy law do I love.

114 Thou art my defence and shield : and my trust is in thy word.

115 Away from me, ye wicked : I will keep the commandments of my God.

116 O stablish me according to thy word, that I may live : and let me not be disappointed of my hope.

117 Hold thou me up, and I shall be safe : yea, my delight shall be ever in thy statutes.

118 Thou hast trodden down all them that depart from thy statutes : for they imagine but deceit.

119 Thou puttest away all the ungodly of the earth like dross : therefore I love thy testimonies.

120 My flesh trembleth for fear of thee : and I am afraid of thy judgements.

Feci judicium.

I DEAL with the thing that is lawful and right : O give me not over unto mine oppressors.

122 Make thou thy servant to delight in that which is good : that the proud do me no wrong.

123 Mine eyes are wasted away with looking for thy health : and for the word of thy righteousness.

124 O deal with thy servant according unto thy loving mercy : and teach me thy statutes.

125 I am thy servant, O grant me understanding : that I may know thy testimonies.

126 It is time for thee, Lord, to lay to thine hand : for they have destroyed thy law.
127 For I love thy commandments : above gold and precious stone.
128 Therefore hold I straight all thy commandments : and all false ways I utterly abhor.

Mirabilia.

THY testimonies are wonderful : therefore doth my soul keep them.
130 When thy word goeth forth : it giveth light and understanding unto the simple.
131 I opened my mouth, and drew in my breath : for my delight was in thy commandments.
132 O look thou upon me, and be merciful unto me : as thou usest to do unto those that love thy Name.
133 Order my steps in thy word : and so shall no wickedness have dominion over me.
134 O deliver me from the wrongful dealings of men : and so shall I keep thy commandments.
135 Shew the light of thy countenance upon thy servant : and teach me thy statutes.
136 Mine eyes gush out with water : because men keep not thy law.

Justus es, Domine.

RIGHTEOUS art thou, O Lord : and true is thy judgement.
138 The testimonies that thou hast commanded : are exceeding righteous and true.
139 My zeal hath even consumed me : because mine enemies have forgotten thy words.

140 Thy word is tried to the uttermost : and thy servant loveth it.
141 I am small, and of no reputation : yet do I not forget thy commandments.
142 Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness : and thy law is the truth.
143 Trouble and heaviness have taken hold upon me : yet is my delight in thy commandments.
144 The righteousness of thy testimonies is everlasting : O grant me understanding, and I shall live.

Day 26. Evening Prayer.

Clamavi in toto corde meo.

I CALL with my whole heart : hear me, O Lord, I will keep thy statutes.
146 Yea, even unto thee do I call : help me, and I shall keep thy testimonies.
147 Early in the morning do I cry unto thee : for in thy word is my trust.
148 Mine eyes prevent the night-watches : that I might be occupied in thy words.
149 Hear my voice, O Lord, according unto thy loving-kindness : quicken me, according as thou art wont.
150 They draw nigh that of malice persecute me : and are far from thy law.
151 Be thou nigh at hand, O Lord : for all thy commandments are true.
152 As concerning thy testimonies, I have known long since : that thou hast grounded them for ever.

Vide humilitatem.

O CONSIDER mine adversity, and deliver me : for I do not forget thy law.
154 Avenge thou my cause, and deliver me : quicken me, according to thy word.
155 Health is far from the ungodly : for they regard not thy statutes.
156 Great is thy mercy, O Lord : quicken me, as thou art wont.
157 Many there are that trouble me, and persecute me : yet do I not swerve from thy testimonies.
158 It grieveth me when I see the transgressors : because they keep not thy law.
159 Consider, O Lord, how I love thy commandments : O quicken me, according to thy loving-kindness.
160 Thy word is true from everlasting : all the judgements of thy righteousness endure for evermore.

Principes persecuti sunt.

PRINCES have persecuted me without a cause : but my heart standeth in awe of thy word.
162 I am as glad of thy word : as one that findeth great spoils.
163 As for lies, I hate and abhor them : but thy law do I love.
164 Seven times a day do I praise thee : because of thy righteous judgements.
165 Great is the peace that they have who love thy law : and they are not offended at it.
166 Lord, I have looked for thy saving health : and done after thy commandments.

167 My soul hath kept thy testimonies : and loved them exceedingly.
168 I have kept thy commandments and testimonies : for all my ways are before thee.

Appropinquet deprecatio.

LET my complaint come before thee, O Lord : give me understanding, according to thy word.
170 Let my supplication come before thee : deliver me, according to thy word.
171 My lips shall speak of thy praise : when thou hast taught me thy statutes.
172 Yea, my tongue shall sing of thy word : for all thy commandments are righteous.
173 Let thine hand help me : for I have chosen thy commandments.
174 I have longed for thy saving health, O Lord : and in thy law is my delight.
175 O let my soul live, and it shall praise thee : and thy judgements shall help me.
176 I have gone astray like a sheep that is lost : O seek thy servant, for I do not forget thy commandments.

Day 27. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 120. *Ad Dominum.*

WHEN I was in trouble I called upon the Lord : and he heard me.
2 Deliver my soul, O Lord, from lying lips : and from a deceitful tongue.
3 What reward shall be given or done unto thee, thou false tongue : even mighty and sharp arrows, with hot burning coals.

4 Woe is me, that I am constrained to dwell with Mesech : and to have my habitation among the tents of Kedar.
5 My soul hath long dwelt among them : that are enemies unto peace.
6 I labour for peace, but when I speak unto them thereof : they make them ready to battle.

PSALM 121. *Levavi oculos.*

I WILL lift up mine eyes unto the hills : from whence cometh my help.
2 My help cometh even from the Lord : who hath made heaven and earth.
3 He will not suffer thy foot to be moved : and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.
4 Behold, he that keepeth Israel : shall neither slumber nor sleep.
5 The Lord himself is thy keeper : the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand ;
6 So that the sun shall not burn thee by day : neither the moon by night.
7 The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil : yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.
8 The Lord shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in : from this time forth for evermore.

PSALM 122. *Lætatus sum.*

I WAS glad when they said unto me : We will go into the house of the Lord.
2 Our feet shall stand in thy gates : O Jerusalem.
3 Jerusalem is built as a city : that is at unity in itself.
4 For thither the tribes go up, even the

tribes of the Lord : to testify unto Israel, to give thanks unto the Name of the Lord.
5 For there is the seat of judgement : even the seat of the house of David.
6 O pray for the peace of Jerusalem : they shall prosper that love thee.
7 Peace be within thy walls : and plenteousness within thy palaces.
8 For my brethren and companions' sakes : I will wish thee prosperity.
9 Yea, because of the house of the Lord our God : I will seek to do thee good.

PSALM 123. *Ad te levavi oculos meos.*

UNTO thee lift I up mine eyes : O thou that dwellest in the heavens.
2 Behold, even as the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters, and as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress : even so our eyes wait upon the Lord our God, until he have mercy upon us.
3 Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us : for we are utterly despised.
4 Our soul is filled with the scornful reproof of the wealthy : and with the despitefulness of the proud.

PSALM 124. *Nisi quia Dominus.*

IF the Lord himself had not been on our side, now may Israel say : if the Lord himself had not been on our side, when men rose up against us ;
2 They had swallowed us up quick : when they were so wrathfully displeased at us.
3 Yea, the waters had drowned us : and the stream had gone over our soul.

4 The deep waters of the proud : had gone even over our soul.
5 But praised be the Lord : who hath not given us over for a prey unto their teeth.
6 Our soul is escaped even as a bird out of the snare of the fowler : the snare is broken, and we are delivered.
7 Our help standeth in the Name of the Lord : who hath made heaven and earth.

PSALM 125. *Qui confidunt.*

THEY that put their trust in the Lord shall be even as the mount Sion : which may not be removed, but standeth fast for ever.
2 The hills stand about Jerusalem : even so standeth the Lord round about his people, from this time forth for evermore.
3 For the rod of the ungodly cometh not into the lot of the righteous : lest the righteous put their hand unto wickedness.
4 Do well, O Lord : unto those that are good and true of heart.
5 As for such as turn back unto their own wickedness : the Lord shall lead them forth with the evil-doers ; but peace shall be upon Israel.

Day 27. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 126. *In convertendo.*

WHEN the Lord turned again the captivity of Sion : then were we like unto them that dream.
2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter : and our tongue with joy.

3 Then said they among the heathen : The Lord hath done great things for them.
4 Yea, the Lord hath done great things for us already : whereof we rejoice.
5 Turn our captivity, O Lord : as the rivers in the south.
6 They that sow in tears : shall reap in joy.
7 He that now goeth on his way weeping, and beareth forth good seed : shall doubtless come again with joy, and bring his sheaves with him

PSALM 127. *Nisi Dominus.*

EXCEPT the Lord build the house : their labour is but lost that build it.
2 Except the Lord keep the city : the watchman waketh but in vain.
3 It is but lost labour that ye haste to rise up early, and so late take rest, and eat the bread of carefulness : for so he giveth his beloved sleep.
4 Lo, children and the fruit of the womb : are an heritage and gift that cometh of the Lord.
5 Like as the arrows in the hand of the giant : even so are the young children.
6 Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them : they shall not be ashamed when they speak with their enemies in the gate.

PSALM 128. *Beati omnes.*

BLESSED are all they that fear the Lord : and walk in his ways.
2 For thou shalt eat the labours of thine

hands : O well is thee, and happy shalt thou be.
3 Thy wife shall be as the fruitful vine : upon the walls of thine house.
4 Thy children like the olive-branches : round about thy table.
5 Lo, thus shall the man be blessed : that feareth the Lord.
6 The Lord from out of Sion shall so bless thee : that thou shalt see Jerusalem in prosperity all thy life long.
7 Yea, that thou shalt see thy children's children : and peace upon Israel.

PSALM 129. *Sæpe expugnaverunt.*

MANY a time have they fought against me from my youth up : may Israel now say.
2 Yea, many a time have they vexed me from my youth up : but they have not prevailed against me.
3 The plowers plowed upon my back : and made long furrows.
4 But the righteous Lord : hath hewn the snares of the ungodly in pieces.
5 Let them be confounded and turned backward : as many as have evil will at Sion.
6 Let them be even as the grass growing upon the house-tops : which withereth afore it be plucked up;
7 Whereof the mower filleth not his hand : neither he that bindeth up the sheaves his bosom.
8 So that they who go by say not so much as, The Lord prosper you : we wish you good luck in the Name of the Lord.

PSALM 130. *De profundis.*

OUT of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord : Lord, hear my voice.
2 O let thine ears consider well : the voice of my complaint.
3 If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss : O Lord, who may abide it ?
4 For there is mercy with thee : therefore shalt thou be feared.
5 I look for the Lord ; my soul doth wait for him : in his word is my trust.
6 My soul fleeth unto the Lord : before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch.
7 O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy : and with him is plenteous redemption.
8 And he shall redeem Israel : from all his sins.

PSALM 131. *Domine, non est.*

LORD, I am not high-minded : I have no proud looks.
2 I do not exercise myself in great matters : which are too high for me.
3 But I refrain my soul, and keep it low, like as a child that is weaned from his mother : yea, my soul is even as a weaned child.
4 O Israel, trust in the Lord : from this time forth for evermore.

Day 28. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 132. *Memento, Domine.*

LORD, remember David : and all his trouble;
2 How he sware unto the Lord : and vowed a vow unto the Almighty God of Jacob;
3 I will not come within the tabernacle of mine house : nor climb up into my bed;
4 I will not suffer mine eyes to sleep, nor mine eye-lids to slumber : neither the temples of my head to take any rest;
5 Until I find out a place for the temple of the Lord : an habitation for the mighty God of Jacob.
6 Lo, we heard of the same at Ephrata : and found it in the wood.
7 We will go into his tabernacle : and fall low on our knees before his footstool.
8 Arise, O Lord, into thy resting-place : thou, and the ark of thy strength.
9 Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness : and let thy saints sing with joyfulness.
10 For thy servant David's sake : turn not away the presence of thine Anointed.
11 The Lord hath made a faithful oath unto David : and he shall not shrink from it;
12 Of the fruit of thy body : shall I set upon thy seat.
13 If thy children will keep my covenant, and my testimonies that I shall learn them : their children also shall sit upon thy seat for evermore.
14 For the Lord hath chosen Sion to be an

habitation for himself : he hath longed for her.
15 This shall be my rest for ever : here will I dwell, for I have a delight therein.
16 I will bless her victuals with increase : and will satisfy her poor with bread.
17 I will deck her priests with health : and her saints shall rejoice and sing.
18 There shall I make the horn of David to flourish : I have ordained a lantern for mine Anointed.
19 As for his enemies, I shall clothe them with shame : but upon himself shall his crown flourish.

PSALM 133. *Ecce, quam bonum!*

BEHOLD, how good and joyful a thing it is : brethren, to dwell together in unity!
2 It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down unto the beard : even unto Aaron's beard, and went down to the skirts of his clothing.
3 Like as the dew of Hermon : which fell upon the hill of Sion.
4 For there the Lord promised his blessing : and life for evermore.

PSALM 134. *Ecce nunc.*

BEHOLD now, praise the Lord : all ye servants of the Lord;
2 Ye that by night stand in the house of the Lord : even in the courts of the house of our God.
3 Lift up your hands in the sanctuary : and praise the Lord.

4 The Lord that made heaven and earth : give thee blessing out of Sion.

PSALM 135. *Laudate Nomen.*

O PRAISE the Lord, laud ye the Name of the Lord : praise it, O ye servants of the Lord ;

2 Ye that stand in the house of the Lord : in the courts of the house of our God.

3 O praise the Lord, for the Lord is gracious : O sing praises unto his Name, for it is lovely.

4 For why? the Lord hath chosen Jacob unto himself : and Israel for his own possession.

5 For I know that the Lord is great : and that our Lord is above all gods.

6 Whatsoever the Lord pleased, that did he in heaven, and in earth : and in the sea, and in all deep places.

7 He bringeth forth the clouds from the ends of the world : and sendeth forth lightnings with the rain, bringing the winds out of his treasures.

8 He smote the first-born of Egypt : both of man and beast.

9 He hath sent tokens and wonders into the midst of thee, O thou land of Egypt : upon Pharaoh, and all his servants.

10 He smote divers nations : and slew mighty kings ;

11 Sehon king of the Amorites, and Og the king of Basan : and all the kingdoms of Canaan ;

12 And gave their land to be an heritage : even an heritage unto Israel his people.

13 Thy Name, O Lord, endureth for ever : so doth thy memorial, O Lord, from one generation to another.
14 For the Lord will avenge his people : and be gracious unto his servants.
15 As for the images of the heathen, they are but silver and gold : the work of men's hands.
16 They have mouths, and speak not : eyes have they, but they see not.
17 They have ears, and yet they hear not : neither is there any breath in their mouths.
18 They that make them are like unto them : and so are all they that put their trust in them.
19 Praise the Lord, ye house of Israel : praise the Lord, ye house of Aaron.
20 Praise the Lord, ye house of Levi : ye that fear the Lord, praise the Lord.
21 Praised be the Lord out of Sion : who dwelleth at Jerusalem.

Day 28. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 136. *Confitemini.*

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious : and his mercy endureth for ever.
2 O give thanks unto the God of all gods : for his mercy endureth for ever.
3 O thank the Lord of all lords : for his mercy endureth for ever.
4 Who only doeth great wonders : for his mercy endureth for ever.

5 Who by his excellent wisdom made the heavens : for his mercy endureth for ever.
6 Who laid out the earth above the waters : for his mercy endureth for ever.
7 Who hath made great lights : for his mercy endureth for ever ;
8 The sun to rule the day : for his mercy endureth for ever ;
9 The moon and the stars to govern the night : for his mercy endureth for ever.
10 Who smote Egypt with their first-born : for his mercy endureth for ever ;
11 And brought out Israel from among them : for his mercy endureth for ever ;
12 With a mighty hand, and stretched out arm : for his mercy endureth for ever.
13 Who divided the Red sea in two parts : for his mercy endureth for ever ;
14 And made Israel to go through the midst of it : for his mercy endureth for ever.
15 But as for Pharaoh and his host, he overthrew them in the Red sea : for his mercy endureth for ever.
16 Who led his people through the wilderness : for his mercy endureth for ever.
17 Who smote great kings : for his mercy endureth for ever ;
18 Yea, and slew mighty kings : for his mercy endureth for ever ;
19 Sehon king of the Amorites : for his mercy endureth for ever ;
20 And Og the king of Basan : for his mercy endureth for ever ;
21 And gave away their land for an heritage : for his mercy endureth for ever ;

22 Even for an heritage unto Israel his servant : for his mercy endureth for ever.
23 Who remembered us when we were in trouble : for his mercy endureth for ever ;
24 And hath delivered us from our enemies : for his mercy endureth for ever.
25 Who giveth food to all flesh : for his mercy endureth for ever.
26 O give thanks unto the God of heaven : for his mercy endureth for ever.
27 O give thanks unto the Lord of lords : for his mercy endureth for ever.

PSALM 137. *Super flumina.*

BY the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept : when we remembered thee, O Sion.
2 As for our harps, we hanged them up : upon the trees that are therein.
3 For they that led us away captive required of us then a song, and melody, in our heaviness : Sing us one of the songs of Sion.
4 How shall we sing the Lord's song : in a strange land ?
5 If I forget thee, O Jerusalem : let my right hand forget her cunning.
6 If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth : yea, if I prefer not Jerusalem in my mirth.
7 Remember the children of Edom, O Lord, in the day of Jerusalem : how they said, Down with it, down with it, even to the ground.
8 O daughter of Babylon, wasted with

misery : yea, happy shall he be that rewardeth thee, as thou hast served us.
9 Blessed shall he be that taketh thy children : and throweth them against the stones.

PSALM 138. *Confitebor tibi.*

I WILL give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart : even before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.
2 I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy Name, because of thy loving-kindness and truth : for thou hast magnified thy Name, and thy Word, above all things.
3 When I called upon thee, thou heardest me : and enduedst my soul with much strength.
4 All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O Lord : for they have heard the words of thy mouth.
5 Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the Lord : that great is the glory of the Lord.
6 For though the Lord be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly : as for the proud, he beholdeth them afar off.
7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shalt thou refresh me : thou shalt stretch forth thy hand upon the furiousness of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.
8 The Lord shall make good his loving-kindness toward me : yea, thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever; despise not then the works of thine own hands.

Day 29. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 139. *Domine, probasti.*

O LORD, thou hast searched me out, and known me : thou knowest my down-sitting, and mine up-rising; thou understandest my thoughts long before.

2 Thou art about my path, and about my bed : and spiest out all my ways.

3 For lo, there is not a word in my tongue : but thou, O Lord, knowest it altogether.

4 Thou hast fashioned me behind and before : and laid thine hand upon me.

5 Such knowledge is too wonderful and excellent for me : I cannot attain unto it.

6 Whither shall I go then from thy Spirit : or whither shall I go then from thy presence?

7 If I climb up into heaven, thou art there : if I go down to hell, thou art there also.

8 If I take the wings of the morning : and remain in the uttermost parts of the sea;

9 Even there also shall thy hand lead me : and thy right hand shall hold me.

10 If I say, Peradventure the darkness shall cover me : then shall my night be turned to day.

11 Yea, the darkness is no darkness with thee, but the night is as clear as the day : the darkness and light to thee are both alike.

12 For my reins are thine : thou hast covered me in my mother's womb.

13 I will give thanks unto thee, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made : marvellous

are thy works, and that my soul knoweth right well.
14 My bones are not hid from thee : though I be made secretly, and fashioned beneath in the earth.
15 Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being imperfect : and in thy book were all my members written ;
16 Which day by day were fashioned : when as yet there was none of them.
17 How dear are thy counsels unto me, O God : O how great is the sum of them !
18 If I tell them, they are more in number than the sand : when I wake up I am present with thee.
19 Wilt thou not slay the wicked, O God : depart from me, ye blood-thirsty men.
20 For they speak unrighteously against thee : and thine enemies take thy Name in vain.
21 Do not I hate them, O Lord, that hate thee : and am not I grieved with those that rise up against thee ?
22 Yea, I hate them right sore : even as though they were mine enemies.
23 Try me, O God, and seek the ground of my heart : prove me, and examine my thoughts.
24 Look well if there be any way of wickedness in me : and lead me in the way everlasting.

PSALM 140. *Eripe me, Domine.*

DELIVER me, O Lord, from the evil man : and preserve me from the wicked man.

2 Who imagine mischief in their hearts : and stir up strife all the day long.
3 They have sharpened their tongues like a serpent : adder's poison is under their lips.
4 Keep me, O Lord, from the hands of the ungodly : preserve me from the wicked men, who are purposed to overthrow my goings.
5 The proud have laid a snare for me, and spread a net abroad with cords : yea, and set traps in my way.
6 I said unto the Lord, Thou art my God : hear the voice of my prayers, O Lord.
7 O Lord God, thou strength of my health : thou hast covered my head in the day of battle.
8 Let not the ungodly have his desire, O Lord : let not his mischievous imagination prosper, lest they be too proud.
9 Let the mischief of their own lips fall upon the head of them : that compass me about.
10 Let hot burning coals fall upon them : let them be cast into the fire, and into the pit, that they never rise up again.
11 A man full of words shall not prosper upon the earth : evil shall hunt the wicked person to overthrow him.
12 Sure I am that the Lord will avenge the poor : and maintain the cause of the helpless.
13 The righteous also shall give thanks unto thy Name : and the just shall continue in thy sight.

PSALM 141. *Domine, clamavi.*

LORD, I call upon thee, haste thee unto me : and consider my voice when I cry unto thee.

2 Let my prayer be set forth in thy sight as the incense : and let the lifting up of my hands be an evening sacrifice.

3 Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth : and keep the door of my lips.

4 O let not mine heart be inclined to any evil thing : let me not be occupied in ungodly works with the men that work wickedness, lest I eat of such things as please them.

5 Let the righteous rather smite me friendly : and reprove me.

6 But let not their precious balms break my head : yea, I will pray yet against their wickedness.

7 Let their judges be overthrown in stony places : that they may hear my words, for they are sweet.

8 Our bones lie scattered before the pit : like as when one breaketh and heweth wood upon the earth.

9 But mine eyes look unto thee, O Lord God : in thee is my trust, O cast not out my soul.

10 Keep me from the snare that they have laid for me : and from the traps of the wicked doers.

11 Let the ungodly fall into their own nets together : and let me ever escape them.

Day 29. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 142. *Voce mea ad Dominum.*

I CRIED unto the Lord with my voice : yea, even unto the Lord did I make my supplication.
2 I poured out my complaints before him : and shewed him of my trouble.
3 When my spirit was in heaviness thou knewest my path : in the way wherein I walked have they privily laid a snare for me.
4 I looked also upon my right hand : and saw there was no man that would know me.
5 I had no place to flee unto : and no man cared for my soul.
6 I cried unto thee, O Lord, and said : Thou art my hope, and my portion in the land of the living.
7 Consider my complaint : for I am brought very low.
8 O deliver me from my persecutors : for they are too strong for me.
9 Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks unto thy Name : which thing if thou wilt grant me, then shall the righteous resort unto my company.

PSALM 143. *Domine, exaudi.*

HEAR my prayer, O Lord, and consider my desire : hearken unto me for thy truth and righteousness' sake.
2 And enter not into judgement with thy servant : for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

3 For the enemy hath persecuted my soul; he hath smitten my life down to the ground: he hath laid me in the darkness, as the men that have been long dead.

4 Therefore is my spirit vexed within me: and my heart within me is desolate.

5 Yet do I remember the time past; I muse upon all thy works: yea, I exercise myself in the works of thy hands.

6 I stretch forth my hands unto thee: my soul gaspeth unto thee as a thirsty land.

7 Hear me, O Lord, and that soon, for my spirit waxeth faint: hide not thy face from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit.

8 O let me hear thy loving-kindness betimes in the morning, for in thee is my trust: shew thou me the way that I should walk in, for I lift up my soul unto thee.

9 Deliver me, O Lord, from mine enemies: for I flee unto thee to hide me.

10 Teach me to do the thing that pleaseth thee, for thou art my God: let thy loving Spirit lead me forth into the land of righteousness.

11 Quicken me, O Lord, for thy Name's sake: and for thy righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble.

12 And of thy goodness slay mine enemies: and destroy all them that vex my soul; for I am thy servant.

Day 30. Morning Prayer.

PSALM 144. *Benedictus Dominus.*

BLESSED be the Lord my strength : who teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight;
2 My hope and my fortress, my castle and deliverer, my defender in whom I trust : who subdueth my people that is under me.
3 Lord, what is man, that thou hast such respect unto him : or the son of man, that thou so regardest him?
4 Man is like a thing of nought : his time passeth away like a shadow.
5 Bow thy heavens, O Lord, and come down : touch the mountains, and they shall smoke.
6 Cast forth thy lightning, and tear them : shoot out thine arrows, and consume them.
7 Send down thine hand from above : deliver me, and take me out of the great waters, from the hand of strange children;
8 Whose mouth talketh of vanity : and their right hand is a right hand of wickedness.
9 I will sing a new song unto thee, O God : and sing praises unto thee upon a ten-stringed lute.
10 Thou hast given victory unto kings : and hast delivered David thy servant from the peril of the sword.
11 Save me, and deliver me from the hand of strange children : whose mouth talketh of vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of iniquity.
12 That our sons may grow up as the young

plants : and that our daughters may be as the polished corners of the temple.
13 That our garners may be full and plenteous with all manner of store : that our sheep may bring forth thousands and ten thousands in our streets.
14 That our oxen may be strong to labour, that there be no decay : no leading into captivity, and no complaining in our streets.
15 Happy are the people that are in such a case : yea, blessed are the people who have the Lord for their God.

PSALM 145. *Exaltabo te, Deus.*

I WILL magnify thee, O God, my King : and I will praise thy Name for ever and ever.
2 Every day will I give thanks unto thee : and praise thy Name for ever and ever.
3 Great is the Lord, and marvellous worthy to be praised : there is no end of his greatness.
4 One generation shall praise thy works unto another : and declare thy power.
5 As for me, I will be talking of thy worship : thy glory, thy praise, and wondrous works ;
6 So that men shall speak of the might of thy marvellous acts : and I will also tell of thy greatness.
7 The memorial of thine abundant kindness shall be shewed : and men shall sing of thy righteousness.
8 The Lord is gracious, and merciful : long-suffering, and of great goodness.
9 The Lord is loving unto every man : and his mercy is over all his works.

10 All thy works praise thee, O Lord : and thy saints give thanks unto thee.
11 They shew the glory of thy kingdom : and talk of thy power;
12 That thy power, thy glory, and mightiness of thy kingdom : might be known unto men.
13 Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom : and thy dominion endureth throughout all ages.
14 The Lord upholdeth all such as fall : and lifteth up all those that are down.
15 The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord : and thou givest them their meat in due season.
16 Thou openest thine hand : and fillest all things living with plenteousness.
17 The Lord is righteous in all his ways : and holy in all his works.
18 The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him : yea, all such as call upon him faithfully.
19 He will fulfil the desire of them that fear him : he also will hear their cry, and will help them.
20 The Lord preserveth all them that love him : but scattereth abroad all the ungodly.
21 My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord : and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy Name for ever and ever.

PSALM 146. *Lauda, anima mea.*

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul; while I live will I praise the Lord : yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises unto my God.

2 O put not your trust in princes, nor in any child of man : for there is no help in them.

3 For when the breath of man goeth forth he shall turn again to his earth : and then all his thoughts perish.

4 Blessed is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help : and whose hope is in the Lord his God ;

5 Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that therein is : who keepeth his promise for ever ;

6 Who helpeth them to right that suffer wrong : who feedeth the hungry.

7 The Lord looseth men out of prison : the Lord giveth sight to the blind.

8 The Lord helpeth them that are fallen : the Lord careth for the righteous.

9 The Lord careth for the strangers ; he defendeth the fatherless and widow : as for the way of the ungodly, he turneth it upside down.

10 The Lord thy God, O Sion, shall be King for evermore : and throughout all generations.

Day 30. Evening Prayer.

PSALM 147. *Laudate Dominum.*

O PRAISE the Lord, for it is a good thing to sing praises unto our God : yea, a joyful and pleasant thing it is to be thankful.

2 The Lord doth build up Jerusalem : and gather together the out-casts of Israel.

3 He healeth those that are broken in heart : and giveth medicine to heal their sickness.

4 He telleth the number of the stars : and calleth them all by their names.

5 Great is our Lord, and great is his power : yea, and his wisdom is infinite.

6 The Lord setteth up the meek : and bringeth the ungodly down to the ground.

7 O sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving : sing praises upon the harp unto our God ;

8 Who covereth the heaven with clouds, and prepareth rain for the earth : and maketh the grass to grow upon the mountains, and herb for the use of men ;

9 Who giveth fodder unto the cattle : and feedeth the young ravens that call upon him.

10 He hath no pleasure in the strength of an horse : neither delighteth he in any man's legs.

11 But the Lord's delight is in them that fear him : and put their trust in his mercy.

12 Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem : praise thy God, O Sion.

13 For he hath made fast the bars of thy gates : and hath blessed thy cnildren within thee.

14 He maketh peace in thy borders : and filleth thee with the flour of wheat.

15 He sendeth forth his commandment upon earth : and his word runneth very swiftly.

16 He giveth snow like wool : and scattereth the hoar-frost like ashes.

17 He casteth forth his ice like morsels : who is able to abide his frost ?

18 He sendeth out his word, and melteth them : he bloweth with his wind, and the waters flow.

19 He sheweth his word unto Jacob : his statutes and ordinances unto Israel.

20 He hath not dealt so with any nation : neither have the heathen knowledge of his laws.

PSALM 148. *Laudate Dominum.*

O PRAISE the Lord of heaven : praise him in the height.

2 Praise him, all ye angels of his : praise him, all his host.

3 Praise him, sun and moon : praise him, all ye stars and light.

4 Praise him, all ye heavens : and ye waters that are above the heavens.

5 Let them praise the Name of the Lord : for he spake the word, and they were made; he commanded, and they were created.

6 He hath made them fast for ever and ever : he hath given them a law which shall not be broken.

7 Praise the Lord upon earth : ye dragons, and all deeps;

8 Fire and hail, snow and vapours : wind and storm, fulfilling his word;

9 Mountains and all hills : fruitful trees and all cedars;

10 Beasts and all cattle : worms and feathered fowls;

11 Kings of the earth and all people : princes and all judges of the world;

12 Young men and maidens, old men and

children, praise the Name of the Lord : for his Name only is excellent, and his praise above heaven and earth.

13 He shall exalt the horn of his people ; all his saints shall praise him : even the children of Israel, even the people that serveth him.

PSALM 149. *Cantate Domino.*

O SING unto the Lord a new song : let the congregation of saints praise him.

2 Let Israel rejoice in him that made him : and let the children of Sion be joyful in their King.

3 Let them praise his Name in the dance : let them sing praises unto him with tabret and harp.

4 For the Lord hath pleasure in his people : and helpeth the meek-hearted.

5 Let the saints be joyful with glory : let them rejoice in their beds.

6 Let the praises of God be in their mouth : and a two-edged sword in their hands ;

7 To be avenged of the heathen : and to rebuke the people ;

8 To bind their kings in chains : and their nobles with links of iron.

9 That they may be avenged of them, as it is written : Such honour have all his saints.

PSALM 150. *Laudate Dominum.*

O PRAISE God in his holiness : praise him in the firmament of his power.

2 Praise him in his noble acts : praise him according to his excellent greatness.

3 Praise him in the sound of the trumpet : praise him upon the lute and harp.
4 Praise him in the cymbals and dances : praise him upon the strings and pipe.
5 Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals : praise him upon the loud cymbals.
6 Let every thing that hath breath : praise the Lord.

FORMS OF PRAYER TO BE USED AT SEA.

¶ *The Morning and Evening Service to be used daily at Sea shall be the same which is appointed in the Book of Common Prayer.*

¶ *These two following Prayers are to be also used in her Majesty's Navy every day.*

O ETERNAL Lord God, who alone spreadest out the heavens, and rulest the raging of the sea; who hast compassed the waters with bounds until day and night come to an end; Be pleased to receive into thy Almighty and most gracious protection the persons of us thy servants, and the Fleet in which we serve. Preserve us from the dangers of the sea, and from the violence of the enemy; that we may be a safeguard unto our most gracious Sovereign Lady, Queen *ELIZABETH*, and her Dominions, and a security for such as pass on the seas upon their lawful occasions; that the inhabitants of our Island may in peace and quietness serve thee our God; and that we may return in safety to enjoy the blessings of the land, with the fruits of our labours, and with a thankful remembrance of thy mercies to praise and glorify thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Collect.

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings, with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Prayers to be used in Storms at Sea.*

O MOST powerful and glorious Lord God, at whose command the winds blow, and lift up the waves of the sea, and who stillest the rage thereof; We thy creatures, but miserable sinners, do in this our great distress cry unto thee for help: Save, Lord, or else we perish. We confess, when we have been safe, and seen all things quiet about us, we have forgot thee our God, and refused to hearken to the still voice of thy word, and to obey thy commandments: But now we see, how terrible thou art in all thy works of wonder; the great God to be feared above all: And therefore we adore thy Divine Majesty, acknowledging thy power, and imploring thy goodness. Help, Lord, and save us for thy mercy's sake in Jesus Christ thy Son, our Lord. *Amen.*

Or this.

O MOST glorious and gracious Lord God, who dwellest in heaven, but beholdest all things below; Look down, we beseech thee, and hear us, calling out of the depth of misery, and out of the jaws of this death, which is ready now to swallow us up: Save, Lord, or else we perish. The living, the living, shall praise thee. O send thy word of command to rebuke the raging winds, and the roaring sea; that we, being delivered from this distress, may live to serve thee, and to glorify thy Name all the days of our life. Hear, Lord, and save us, for the infinite merits of our blessed Saviour, thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

TO BE USED AT SEA.

¶ *The Prayer to be said before a Fight at Sea against any Enemy.*

O MOST powerful and glorious Lord God, the Lord of hosts, that rulest and commandest all things; Thou sittest in the throne judging right, and therefore we make our address to thy Divine Majesty in this our necessity, that thou wouldest take the cause into thine own hand, and judge between us and our enemies. Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come and help us; for thou givest not alway the battle to the strong, but canst save by many or by few. O let not our sins now cry against us for vengeance; but hear us thy poor servants begging mercy, and imploring thy help, and that thou wouldest be a defence unto us against the face of the enemy. Make it appear that thou art our Saviour and mighty Deliverer, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Short Prayers for single persons, that cannot meet to join in Prayer with others, by reason of the Fight, or Storm.*

General Prayers.

LORD, be merciful to us sinners, and save us for thy mercy's sake.

Thou art the great God, that hast made and rulest all things: O deliver us for thy Name's sake.

Thou art the great God to be feared above all: O save us, that we may praise thee.

Special Prayers with respect to the Enemy.

THOU, O Lord, art just and powerful: O defend our cause against the face of the enemy.

O God, thou art a strong tower of defence to all that flee unto thee : O save us from the violence of the enemy.

O Lord of hosts, fight for us, that we may glorify thee.

O suffer us not to sink under the weight of our sins, or the violence of the enemy.

O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thy Name's sake.

Short Prayers in respect of a Storm.

THOU, O Lord, that stillest the raging of the sea, hear, hear us, and save us, that we perish not.

O blessed Saviour, that didst save thy disciples ready to perish in a storm, hear us, and save us, we beseech thee.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
O Lord, hear us.
O Christ, hear us.

God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost, have mercy upon us, save us now and evermore. Amen.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

TO BE USED AT SEA.

¶ *When there shall be imminent danger, as many as can be spared from necessary service in the Ship shall be called together, and make an humble Confession of their sin to God: In which every one ought seriously to reflect upon those particular sins of which his conscience shall accuse him; saying as followeth,*

The Confession.

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us. most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Priest, if there be any in the Ship, pronounce this Absolution.*

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THANKSGIVING AFTER A STORM.

Jubilate Deo. Psalm 66.

O BE joyful in God, all ye lands : sing praises unto the honour of his Name, make his praise to be glorious.

Say unto God, O how wonderful art thou in thy works : through the greatness of thy power shall thine enemies be found liars unto thee.

For all the world shall worship thee : sing of thee, and praise thy Name.

O come hither, and behold the works of God : how wonderful he is in his doing toward the children of men.

He turned the sea into dry land : so that they went through the water on foot ; there did we rejoice thereof.

He ruleth with his power for ever ; his eyes behold the people : and such as will not believe shall not be able to exalt themselves.

O praise our God, ye people : and make the voice of his praise to be heard ;

Who holdeth our soul in life : and suffereth not our feet to slip.

For thou, O God, hast proved us : thou also hast tried us, like as silver is tried.

Thou broughtest us into the snare : and laidest trouble upon our loins.

Thou sufferedst men to ride over our heads : we went through fire and water, and thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place.

I will go into thine house with burnt-offerings : and will pay thee my vows, which I promised with my lips, and spake with my mouth, when I was in trouble.

I will offer unto thee fat burnt-sacrifices, with the incense of rams : I will offer bullocks and goats.

O come hither, and hearken, all ye that fear God : and I will tell you what he hath done for my soul.

I called unto him with my mouth : and gave him praises with my tongue.

If I incline unto wickedness with mine heart : the Lord will not hear me.

But God hath heard me : and considered the voice of my prayer.

Praised be God who hath not cast out my prayer : nor turned his mercy from me.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

Confitemini Domino. Psalm 107.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious : and his mercy endureth for ever.

Let them give thanks whom the Lord hath redeemed : and delivered from the hand of the enemy ;

And gathered them out of the lands, from the east, and from the west : from the north, and from the south.

They went astray in the wilderness out of the way : and found no city to dwell in ;

Hungry and thirsty : their soul fainted in them.

So they cried unto the Lord in their trouble : and he delivered them from their distress.

He led them forth by the right way : that they might go to the city where they dwelt.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

For he satisfieth the empty soul : and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.

Such as sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death : being fast bound in misery and iron;

Because they rebelled against the words of the Lord : and lightly regarded the counsel of the most Highest;

He also brought down their heart through heaviness : they fell down, and there was none to help them.

So when they cried unto the Lord in their trouble : he delivered them out of their distress.

For he brought them out of darkness, and out of the shadow of death : and brake their bonds in sunder.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

For he hath broken the gates of brass : and smitten the bars of iron in sunder.

Foolish men are plagued for their offence : and because of their wickedness.

Their soul abhorred all manner of meat : and they were even hard at death's door.

So when they cried unto the Lord in their trouble : he delivered them out of their distress.

He sent his word, and healed them : and they were saved from their destruction.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men !

That they would offer unto him the sacrifice of thanksgiving : and tell out his works with gladness !

They that go down to the sea in ships : and occupy their business in great waters ;

These men see the works of the Lord : and his wonders in the deep.

For at his word the stormy wind ariseth : which lifteth up the waves thereof.

They are carried up to the heaven, and down again to the deep : their soul melteth away because of the trouble.

They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man : and are at their wit's end.

So when they cry unto the Lord in their trouble : he delivereth them out of their distress.

For he maketh the storm to cease : so that the waves thereof are still.

Then are they glad, because they are at rest : and so he bringeth them unto the haven where they would be.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men !

That they would exalt him also in the congregation of the people : and praise him in the seat of the elders !

Who turneth the floods into a wilderness : and drieth up the water-springs.

A fruitful land maketh he barren : for the wickedness of them that dwell therein.

Again, he maketh the wilderness a standing water : and water-springs of a dry ground.

And there he setteth the hungry : that they may build them a city to dwell in ;

That they may sow their land, and plant vineyards : to yield them fruits of increase.

He blesseth them, so that they multiply exceedingly : and suffereth not their cattle to decrease.

And again, when they are minished, and brought low : through oppression, through any plague, or trouble ;

Though he suffer them to be evil intreated through tyrants : and let them wander out of the way in the wilderness ;

Yet helpeth he the poor out of misery : and maketh him households like a flock of sheep.

The righteous will consider this, and rejoice : and the mouth of all wickedness shall be stopped.

Whoso is wise will ponder these things : and they shall understand the loving-kindness of the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

Collects of Thanksgiving.

O MOST blessed and glorious Lord God, who art of infinite goodness and mercy ; We thy poor creatures, whom thou hast

made and preserved, holding our souls in life, and now rescuing us out of the jaws of death, humbly present ourselves again before thy Divine Majesty, to offer a sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, for that thou heardest us when we called in our trouble, and didst not cast out our prayer, which we made before thee in our great distress: Even when we gave all for lost, our ship, our goods, our lives, then didst thou mercifully look upon us, and wonderfully command a deliverance; for which we, now being in safety, do give all praise and glory to thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Or this:

O MOST mighty and gracious good God, thy mercy is over all thy works, but in special manner hath been extended toward us, whom thou hast so powerfully and wonderfully defended. Thou hast shewed us terrible things, and wonders in the deep, that we might see how powerful and gracious a God thou art; how able and ready to help them that trust in thee. Thou hast shewed us how both winds and seas obey thy command; that we may learn, even from them, hereafter to obey thy voice, and to do thy will. We therefore bless and glorify thy Name, for this thy mercy in saving us, when we were ready to perish. And, we beseech thee, make us as truly sensible now of thy mercy, as we were then of the danger: And give us hearts always ready to express our thankfulness, not only by words, but also by

our lives, in being more obedient to thy holy commandments. Continue, we beseech thee, this thy goodness to us; that we, whom thou hast saved, may serve thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

An Hymn of Praise and Thanksgiving after a dangerous Tempest.

O COME, let us give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious: and his mercy endureth for ever.

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; let the redeemed of the Lord say so: whom he hath delivered from the merciless rage of the sea.

The Lord is gracious and full of compassion: slow to anger, and of great mercy.

He hath not dealt with us according to our sins: neither rewarded us according to our iniquities.

But as the heaven is high above the earth: so great hath been his mercy towards us.

We found trouble and heaviness: we were even at death's door.

The waters of the sea had well-nigh covered us: the proud waters had well-nigh gone over our soul.

The sea roared: and the stormy wind lifted up the waves thereof.

We were carried up as it were to heaven, and then down again into the deep: our soul melted within us, because of trouble;

TO BE USED AT SEA.

Then cried we unto thee, O Lord : and thou didst deliver us out of our distress.

Blessed be thy Name, who didst not despise the prayer of thy servants : but didst hear our cry, and hast saved us.

Thou didst send forth thy commandment : and the windy storm ceased, and was turned into a calm.

O let us therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he hath done, and still doeth for the children of men.

Praised be the Lord daily : even the Lord that helpeth us, and poureth his benefits upon us.

He is our God, even the God of whom cometh salvation : God is the Lord by whom we have escaped death.

Thou, Lord, hast made us glad through the operation of thy hands : and we will triumph in thy praise.

Blessed be the Lord God : even the Lord God, who only doeth wondrous things ;

And blessed be the Name of his Majesty for ever : and let every one of us say, Amen, Amen.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

2 Corinthians 13.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

After Victory or Deliverance from an Enemy.

A Psalm or Hymn of Praise and Thanksgiving after Victory.

IF the Lord had not been on our side, now may we say : if the Lord himself had not been on our side, when men rose up against us :

They had swallowed us up quick : when they were so wrathfully displeased at us.

Yea, the waters had drowned us, and the stream had gone over our soul : the deep waters of the proud had gone over our soul.

But praised be the Lord : who hath not given us over as a prey unto them.

The Lord hath wrought : a mighty salvation for us.

We gat not this by our own sword, neither was it our own arm that saved us : but thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance, because thou hadst a favour unto us.

The Lord hath appeared for us : the Lord hath covered our heads, and made us to stand in the day of battle.

The Lord hath appeared for us : the Lord hath overthrown our enemies, and dashed in pieces those that rose up against us.

Therefore not unto us, O Lord, not unto us : but unto thy Name be given the glory.

The Lord hath done great things for us : the Lord hath done great things for us, for which we rejoice.

Our help standeth in the Name of the Lord : who hath made heaven and earth.

TO BE USED AT SEA.

Blessed be the Name of the Lord : from this time forth for evermore.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *After this Hymn may be sung the* Te Deum.

¶ *Then this Collect.*

O ALMIGHTY God, the Sovereign Commander of all the world, in whose hand is power and might which none is able to withstand; We bless and magnify thy great and glorious Name for this happy Victory, the whole glory whereof we do ascribe to thee, who art the only giver of Victory. And, we beseech thee, give us grace to improve this great mercy to thy glory, the advancement of thy Gospel, the honour of our Sovereign, and, as much as in us lieth, to the good of all mankind. And, we beseech thee, give us such a sense of this great mercy, as may engage us to a true thankfulness, such as may appear in our lives by an humble, holy, and obedient walking before thee all our days, through Jesus Christ our Lord ; to whom with thee and the Holy Spirit, as for all thy mercies, so in particular for this Victory and Deliverance, be all glory and honour, world without end. *Amen.*

2 Corinthians 13.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

At the Burial of their Dead at Sea.

¶ *The Office in the Common Prayer-book may be used; only instead of these words* [We therefore commit his body to the ground, earth to earth, *&c.*] *say,*

WE therefore commit his body to the deep, to be turned into corruption, looking for the resurrection of the body, (when the Sea shall give up her dead,) and the life of the world to come, through our Lord Jesus Christ; who at his coming shall change our vile body, that it may be like his glorious body, according to the mighty working, whereby he is able to subdue all things to himself.

THE FORM AND MANNER OF MAKING, ORDAINING, AND CONSECRATING OF BISHOPS, PRIESTS, AND DEACONS, ACCORDING TO THE ORDER OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

THE PREFACE.

IT is evident unto all men diligently reading holy Scripture and ancient Authors, that from the Apostles' time there have been these Orders of Ministers in Christ's Church; Bishops, Priests, and Deacons. Which Offices were evermore had in such reverend Estimation, that no man might presume to execute any of them, except he were first called, tried, examined, and known to have such qualities as are requisite for the same; and also by publick Prayer, with Imposition of Hands, were approved and admitted thereunto by lawful Authority. And therefore, to the intent that these Orders may be continued, and reverently used and esteemed, in the Church of England; *no man shall be accounted or taken to be a lawful Bishop, Priest, or Deacon in the Church of* England, *or suffered to execute any of the said Functions, except he be called, tried, examined, and admitted thereunto, according to the Form hereafter following, or hath had formerly Episcopal Consecration, or Ordination.*

And none shall be admitted a Deacon, except he be Twenty-three years of age, unless he have a Faculty. And every man which is to be admitted a Priest shall be full Four-and-twenty years old. And every man which is to be ordained or consecrated Bishop shall be fully Thirty years of age.

And the Bishop, knowing either by himself, or by sufficient testimony, any Person to be a man of virtuous conversation, and without crime; and, after examination and trial, finding him learned in the Latin Tongue, and sufficiently instructed in holy Scripture, may at the times appointed in the Canon, or else, on urgent occasion, upon some other Sunday or Holy-day, in the face of the Church, admit him a Deacon, in such manner and form as hereafter followeth.

THE FORM AND MANNER OF MAKING OF DEACONS.

¶ *When the day appointed by the Bishop is come, after Morning Prayer is ended, there shall be a Sermon or Exhortation, declaring the Duty and Office of such as come to be admitted Deacons; how necessary that Order is in the Church of Christ, and also, how the people ought to esteem them in their Office.*

¶ *First the Archdeacon, or his Deputy, shall present unto the Bishop (sitting in his chair near to the holy Table) such as desire to be ordained Deacons, (each of them being decently habited,) saying these words,*

REVEREND Father in God, I present unto you these persons present, to be admitted Deacons.

The Bishop.

TAKE heed that the persons, whom ye present unto us, be apt and meet, for their learning and godly conversation, to exercise their Ministry duly, to the honour of God, and the edifying of his Church.

¶ *The Archdeacon shall answer,*

I HAVE enquired of them, and also examined them, and think them so to be.

¶ *Then the Bishop shall say unto the people:*

BRETHREN, if there be any of you who knoweth any Impediment, or notable Crime, in any of these persons presented to be ordered Deacons, for the which he ought not to be admitted to that Office, let him come forth in the Name of God, and shew what the Crime or Impediment is.

THE ORDERING OF DEACONS.

¶ *And if any great Crime or Impediment be objected, the Bishop shall surcease from Ordering that person, until such time as the party accused shall be found clear of that Crime.*

¶ *Then the Bishop (commending such as shall be found meet to be Ordered to the Prayers of the congregation) shall, with the Clergy and people present, sing or say the Litany, with the Prayers as followeth.*

THE LITANY AND SUFFRAGES.

O GOD the Father of heaven : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Father of heaven : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers ; neither take thou vengeance of our sins : spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever.

Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and mischief; from sin, from the crafts and assaults of the devil; from thy wrath, and from everlasting damnation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vain-glory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice, and all uncharitableness,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From fornication, and all other deadly sin; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From lightning and tempest; from plague, pestilence, and famine; from battle and murder, and from sudden death,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all sedition, privy conspiracy, and rebellion; from all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word and Commandment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and Circumcision; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By thine Agony and bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Ghost,

Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our wealth; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgement,

Good Lord, deliver us.

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church universal in the right way;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to keep and strengthen in the true worshipping of thee, in righteousness and holiness of life, thy Servant *ELIZABETH*, our most gracious Queen and Governor;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to rule her heart in thy faith, fear, and love, and that she may evermore have affiance in thee, and ever seek thy honour and glory;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to be her defender, and keeper, giving her the victory over all her enemies;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and preserve *Elizabeth* the Queen Mother, Queen *Mary*, *Philip* Duke of *Edinburgh*, *Charles* Duke of *Cornwall*, and all the Royal Family;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living they may set it forth, and shew it accordingly;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless these thy servants, now to be admitted to the Order of Deacons, [*or Priests,*] and to pour thy grace upon them; that they may duly execute

their Office, to the edifying of thy Church, and the glory of thy holy Name;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to endue the Lords of the Council, and all the Nobility, with grace, wisdom, and understanding;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep the Magistrates, giving them grace to execute justice, and to maintain truth;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us an heart to love and dread thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all thy people increase of grace to hear meekly thy Word, and to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; and to comfort and help the weak-hearted; and to raise up them that fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to succour, help, and comfort, all that are in danger, necessity, and tribulation;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to preserve all that travel by land or by water, all women labouring of child, all sick persons, and young children; and to shew thy pity upon all prisoners and captives;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to defend, and provide for, the fatherless children and widows, and all that are desolate and oppressed;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all men;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so as in due time we may enjoy them;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to thy holy Word;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God: we beseech thee to hear us.

Son of God: we beseech thee to hear us.

O Lamb of God: that takest away the sins of the world;

Grant us thy peace.

O Lamb of God : that takest away the sins of the world ;

Have mercy upon us.

O Christ, hear us.

O Christ, hear us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

¶ *Then shall the Priest, and the people with him, say the Lord's Prayer.*

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Priest. O Lord, deal not with us after our sins.

Answer. Neither reward us after our iniquities.

Let us pray.

O GOD, merciful Father, that despisest not the sighing of a contrite heart, nor the desire of such as be sorrowful ; Mercifully assist our prayers that we make before thee in all our troubles and adversities, whensoever they oppress us; and graciously hear us, that those evils, which the craft and subtilty of the devil or man worketh against us, be brought to nought ; and by the provi-

dence of thy goodness they may be dispersed; that we thy servants, being hurt by no persecutions, may evermore give thanks unto thee in thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thy Name's sake.

O GOD, we have heard with our ears, and our fathers have declared unto us, the noble works that thou didst in their days, and in the old time before them.

O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thine honour.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

From our enemies defend us, O Christ.

Graciously look upon our afflictions.

Pitifully behold the sorrows of our hearts.

Mercifully forgive the sins of thy people.

Favourably with mercy hear our prayers.

O Son of David, have mercy upon us.

Both now and ever vouchsafe to hear us, O Christ.

Graciously hear us, O Christ; graciously hear us, O Lord Christ.

Priest. O Lord, let thy mercy be shewed upon us;

Answer. As we do put our trust in thee.

Let us pray.

WE humbly beseech thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities; and for the glory of thy Name turn

from us all those evils that we most righteously have deserved; and grant, that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in thy mercy, and evermore serve thee in holiness and pureness of living, to thy honour and glory; through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall be sung or said the Service for the Communion, with the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel, as followeth.*

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, who by thy Divine Providence hast appointed divers Orders of Ministers in thy Church, and didst inspire thine Apostles to choose into the Order of Deacons the first Martyr Saint Stephen, with others; Mercifully behold these thy servants now called to the like Office and Administration; replenish them so with the truth of thy Doctrine, and adorn them with innocency of life, that, both by word and good example, they may faithfully serve thee in this Office, to the glory of thy Name, and the edification of thy Church; through the merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 1 Timothy 3. 8.

LIKEWISE must the Deacons be grave, not double tongued, not given to much wine, not greedy of filthy lucre, holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience. And let these also first be proved; then let them use the Office of a Deacon, being found

blameless. Even so must their wives be grave, not slanderers, sober, faithful in all things. Let the Deacons be the husbands of one wife, ruling their children and their own houses well. For they that have used the Office of a Deacon well purchase to themselves a good degree, and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus.

Or else this, out of the sixth of the Acts of the Apostles.

Acts 6. 2.

THEN the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and said, It is not reason that we should leave the Word of God, and serve tables. Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business. But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the Word. And the saying pleased the whole multitude. And they chose Stephen, a man full of faith, and of the holy Ghost, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas a proselyte of Antioch; whom they set before the Apostles; and, when they had prayed, they laid their hands on them. And the Word of God increased, and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly, and a great company of the Priests were obedient to the faith.

¶ *And before the Gospel, the Bishop, sitting in his chair, shall examine every one of them that are to be Ordered, in the presence of the people, after this manner following.*

DO you trust that you are inwardly moved by the Holy Ghost to take upon you this Office and Ministration, to serve God for the promoting of his glory, and the edifying of his people?

Answer. I trust so.

The Bishop.

DO you think that you are truly called, according to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the due order of this Realm, to the Ministry of the Church?

Answer. I think so.

The Bishop.

DO you unfeignedly believe all the Canonical Scriptures of the Old and New Testament?

Answer. I do believe them.

The Bishop.

WILL you diligently read the same unto the people assembled in the Church where you shall be appointed to serve?

Answer. I will.

The Bishop.

IT appertaineth to the Office of a Deacon, in the Church where he shall be appointed to serve, to assist the Priest in Divine Service, and specially when he ministereth the holy Communion, and to help him in the distribution thereof, and to read holy Scriptures and Homilies in the Church; and to instruct the youth in the Catechism; in the absence of the Priest to baptize infants, and

to preach, if he be admitted thereto by the Bishop. And furthermore, it is his Office, where provision is so made, to search for the sick, poor, and impotent people of the Parish, to intimate their estates, names, and places where they dwell, unto the Curate, that by his exhortation they may be relieved with the alms of the Parishioners, or others. Will you do this gladly and willingly?

Answer. I will so do, by the help of God.

The Bishop.

WILL you apply all your diligence to frame and fashion your own lives, and the lives of your families, according to the Doctrine of Christ; and to make both yourselves and them, as much as in you lieth, wholesome examples of the flock of Christ?

Answer. I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

The Bishop.

WILL you reverently obey your Ordinary, and other chief Ministers of the Church, and them to whom the charge and government over you is committed, following with a glad mind and will their godly admonitions?

Answer. I will endeavour myself, the Lord being my helper.

¶ *Then the Bishop laying his Hands severally upon the Head of every one of them, humbly kneeling before him, shall say,*

TAKE thou Authority to execute the Office of a Deacon in the Church of God committed unto thee; In the Name of

the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Bishop deliver to every one of them the New Testament, saying,*

TAKE thou Authority to read the Gospel in the Church of God, and to preach the same, if thou be thereto licensed by the Bishop himself.

¶ *Then one of them, appointed by the Bishop, shall read the Gospel.*

St. Luke 12. 35.

LET your loins be girded about, and your lights burning; and ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their Lord, when he will return from the wedding; that, when he cometh and knocketh, they may open unto him immediately. Blessed are those servants, whom the Lord when he cometh shall find watching. Verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them. And if he shall come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants.

¶ *Then shall the Bishop proceed in the Communion, and all that are Ordered shall tarry, and receive the holy Communion the same day with the Bishop.*

¶ *The Communion ended, after the last Collect, and immediately before the Benediction, shall be said these Collects following.*

ALMIGHTY God, giver of all good things, who of thy great goodness hast vouchsafed to accept and take these thy servants unto the Office of Deacons in thy Church; Make them, we beseech thee, O

Lord, to be modest, humble, and constant in their Ministration, to have a ready will to observe all spiritual Discipline; that they having always the testimony of a good conscience, and continuing ever stable and strong in thy Son Christ, may so well behave themselves in this inferior Office, that they may be found worthy to be called unto the higher Ministries in thy Church; through the same thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, to whom be glory and honour world without end. *Amen.*

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

¶ *And here it must be declared unto the Deacon, that he must continue in that Office of a Deacon the space of a whole year (except for reasonable causes it shall otherwise seem good unto the Bishop) to the intent he may be perfect, and well expert in the things appertaining to the Ecclesiastical Administration. In executing whereof if he be found faithful and diligent, he may be admitted by his Diocesan to the Order of Priesthood, at the times appointed in the Canon; or else, on urgent occasion, upon some other Sunday, or Holy-day, in the face of the Church, in such manner and form as hereafter followeth.*

THE FORM AND MANNER OF ORDERING OF PRIESTS.

¶ *When the day appointed by the Bishop is come, after Morning Prayer is ended, there shall be a Sermon or Exhortation, declaring the Duty and Office of such as come to be admitted Priests; how necessary that Order is in the Church of Christ, and also how the people ought to esteem them in their Office.*

¶ *First, the Archdeacon, or, in his absence, one appointed in his stead, shall present unto the Bishop (sitting in his chair near to the holy Table) all them that shall receive the Order of Priesthood that day (each of them being decently habited) and say,*

REVEREND Father in God, I present unto you these persons present, to be admitted to the Order of Priesthood.

The Bishop.

TAKE heed that the persons, whom ye present unto us, be apt and meet, for their learning and godly conversation, to exercise their Ministry duly, to the honour of God, and the edifying of his Church.

¶ *The Archdeacon shall answer,*

I HAVE enquired of them, and also examined them, and think them so to be.

¶ *Then the Bishop shall say unto the people;*

GOOD people, these are they whom we purpose, God willing, to receive this day unto the holy Office of Priesthood: For after due examination we find not to the contrary, but that they be lawfully called to their Function and Ministry, and that they be persons meet for the same. But yet if there be any of you, who knoweth any Impediment, or notable Crime, in any of

them, for the which he ought not to be received into this holy Ministry, let him come forth in the Name of God, and shew what the Crime or Impediment is.

¶ *And if any great Crime or Impediment be objected, the Bishop shall surcease from Ordering that person, until such time as the party accused shall be found clear of that Crime.*

¶ *Then the Bishop (commending such as shall be found meet to be Ordered to the Prayers of the Congregation) shall, with the Clergy and people present, sing or say the Litany, with the Prayers, as is before appointed in the Form of Ordering Deacons; save only, that, in the proper Suffrage there added, the word* [Deacons] *shall be omitted, and the word* [Priests] *inserted instead of it.*

¶ *Then shall be sung or said the Service for the Communion, with the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel, as followeth.*

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, giver of all good things, who by thy Holy Spirit hast appointed divers Orders of Ministers in the Church; Mercifully behold these thy servants now called to the Office of Priesthood; and replenish them so with the truth of thy doctrine, and adorn them with innocency of life, that, both by word and good example, they may faithfully serve thee in this Office, to the glory of thy Name, and the edification of thy Church; through the merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, world without end. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Ephesians 4. 7.

UNTO every one of us is given grace, according to the measure of the gift of Christ. Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity

captive, and gave gifts unto men. (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He that descended, is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.) And he gave some Apostles, and some Prophets, and some Evangelists, and some Pastors and Teachers; for the perfecting of the Saints, for the work of the Ministry, for the edifying of the Body of Christ; till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ.

¶ *After this shall be read for the Gospel part of the ninth Chapter of Saint* Matthew, *as followeth.*

St. Matthew 9. 36.

WHEN Jesus saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad as sheep having no shepherd. Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.

¶ *Or else this that followeth, out of the tenth Chapter of Saint* John.

St. John 10. 1.

VERILY, verily I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. But he that entereth in by the door is the Shepherd of the sheep. To him the porter openeth, and

the sheep hear his voice; and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. And when he putteth forth his own sheep he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him; for they know his voice. And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him; for they know not the voice of strangers. This parable spake Jesus unto them, but they understood not what things they were which he spake unto them. Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep. All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers; but the sheep did not hear them. I am the door; by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture. The thief cometh not but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. I am the good Shepherd: the good Shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. But he that is an hireling, and not the Shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth; and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep. The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep. I am the good Shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one Shepherd.

THE ORDERING OF PRIESTS.

¶ *Then the Bishop, sitting in his chair, shall say unto them as hereafter followeth.*

YOU have heard, Brethren, as well in your private examination, as in the exhortation which was now made to you, and in the holy Lessons taken out of the Gospel, and the writings of the Apostles, of what dignity, and of how great importance this Office is, whereunto ye are called. And now again we exhort you, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you have in remembrance, into how high a Dignity, and to how weighty an Office and Charge ye are called: that is to say, to be Messengers, Watchmen, and Stewards of the Lord; to teach, and to premonish, to feed and provide for the Lord's family; to seek for Christ's sheep that are dispersed abroad, and for his children who are in the midst of this naughty world, that they may be saved through Christ for ever.

Have always therefore printed in your remembrance, how great a treasure is committed to your charge. For they are the sheep of Christ, which he bought with his death, and for whom he shed his blood. The Church and Congregation whom you must serve, is his Spouse, and his Body. And if it shall happen the same Church, or any Member thereof, to take any hurt or hindrance by reason of your negligence, ye know the greatness of the fault, and also the horrible punishment that will ensue. Wherefore consider with yourselves the end of your Ministry towards the children of God, towards the Spouse and Body of Christ;

and see that you never cease your labour, your care and diligence, until you have done all that lieth in you, according to your bounden duty, to bring all such as are or shall be committed to your charge, unto that agreement in the faith and knowledge of God, and to that ripeness and perfectness of age in Christ, that there be no place left among you, either for error in religion, or for viciousness in life.

Forasmuch then as your Office is both of so great excellency, and of so great difficulty, ye see with how great care and study ye ought to apply yourselves, as well that ye may shew yourselves dutiful and thankful unto that Lord, who hath placed you in so high a Dignity; as also to beware, that neither you yourselves offend, nor be occasion that others offend. Howbeit, ye cannot have a mind and will thereto of yourselves; for that will and ability is given of God alone: therefore ye ought, and have need, to pray earnestly for his holy Spirit. And seeing that you cannot by any other means compass the doing of so weighty a work, pertaining to the salvation of man, but with doctrine and exhortation taken out of the holy Scriptures, and with a life agreeable to the same; consider how studious ye ought to be in reading and learning the Scriptures, and in framing the manners both of yourselves, and of them that specially pertain unto you, according to the rule of the same Scriptures: and for this self-same cause, how ye ought to forsake and set aside (as much as you may) all worldly cares and studies.

We have good hope that you have well weighed and pondered these things with yourselves long before this time; and that you have clearly determined, by God's grace, to give yourselves wholly to this Office, whereunto it hath pleased God to call you: so that, as much as lieth in you, you will apply yourselves wholly to this one thing, and draw all your cares and studies this way; and that you will continually pray to God the Father, by the Mediation of our only Saviour Jesus Christ, for the heavenly assistance of the Holy Ghost; that, by daily reading and weighing of the Scriptures, ye may wax riper and stronger in your Ministry; and that ye may so endeavour yourselves, from time to time, to sanctify the lives of you and yours, and to fashion them after the Rule and Doctrine of Christ, that ye may be wholesome and godly examples and patterns for the people to follow.

And now, that this present Congregation of Christ here assembled may also understand your minds and wills in these things, and that this your promise may the more move you to do your duties, ye shall answer plainly to these things, which we, in the Name of God, and of his Church, shall demand of you touching the same.

DO you think in your heart, that you be truly called, according to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the order of this Church of *England*, to the Order and Ministry of Priesthood?

Answer. I think it.

THE ORDERING OF PRIESTS.

The Bishop.

ARE you persuaded that the holy Scriptures contain sufficiently all Doctrine required of necessity for eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ? and are you determined, out of the said Scriptures to instruct the people committed to your charge, and to teach nothing, as required of necessity to eternal salvation, but that which you shall be persuaded may be concluded and proved by the Scripture?

Answer. I am so persuaded, and have so determined by God's grace.

The Bishop.

WILL you then give your faithful diligence always so to minister the Doctrine and Sacraments, and the Discipline of Christ, as the Lord hath commanded, and as this Church and Realm hath received the same, according to the Commandments of God; so that you may teach the people committed to your Cure and Charge with all diligence to keep and observe the same?

Answer. I will so do, by the help of the Lord.

The Bishop.

WILL you be ready, with all faithful diligence, to banish and drive away all erroneous and strange doctrines contrary to God's word; and to use both publick and private monitions and exhortations, as well to the sick as to the whole, within your Cures, as need shall require, and occasion shall be given?

Answer. I will, the Lord being my helper.

The Bishop.

WILL you be diligent in Prayers, and in reading of the holy Scriptures, and in such studies as help to the knowledge of the same, laying aside the study of the world and the flesh?

Answer. I will endeavour myself so to do, the Lord being my helper.

The Bishop.

WILL you be diligent to frame and fashion your own selves, and your families, according to the Doctrine of Christ; and to make both yourselves and them, as much as in you lieth, wholesome examples and patterns to the flock of Christ?

Answer. I will apply myself thereto, the Lord being my helper.

The Bishop.

WILL you maintain and set forwards, as much as lieth in you, quietness, peace, and love, among all Christian people, and especially among them that are or shall be committed to your charge?

Answer. I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

The Bishop.

WILL you reverently obey your Ordinary, and other chief Ministers, unto whom is committed the charge and government over you; following with a glad mind and will their godly admonitions, and submitting yourselves to their godly judgements?

Answer. I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

THE ORDERING OF PRIESTS.

¶ *Then shall the Bishop, standing up, say,*

ALMIGHTY God, who hath given you this will to do all these things; Grant also unto you strength and power to perform the same; that he may accomplish his work which he hath begun in you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *After this, the Congregation shall be desired, secretly in their Prayers, to make their humble supplications to God for all these things: for the which Prayers there shall be silence kept for a space.*

¶ *After which shall be sung or said by the Bishop (the persons to be Ordained Priests all kneeling)* Veni, Creator Spiritus; *the Bishop beginning, and the Priests, and others that are present, answering by verses, as followeth.*

COME, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire.
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost thy seven-fold gifts impart.

Thy blessed Unction from above,
Is comfort, life, and fire of love.
Enable with perpetual light
The dulness of our blinded sight.

Anoint and cheer our soiled face
With the abundance of thy grace.
Keep far our foes, give peace at home:
Where thou art guide, no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And thee, of both, to be but One.
That, through the ages all along,
This may be our endless song;

Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Or this:

COME, Holy Ghost, eternal God,
Proceeding from above,
Both from the Father and the Son,
The God of peace and love;

Visit our minds, into our hearts
Thy heavenly grace inspire;
That truth and godliness we may
Pursue with full desire.

Thou art the very Comforter
In grief and all distress;
The heav'nly gift of God most high,
No tongue can it express;

The fountain and the living spring
Of joy celestial;
The fire so bright, the love so sweet,
The Unction spiritual.

Thou in thy gifts art manifold,
By them Christ's Church doth stand:
In faithful hearts thou writ'st thy law,
The finger of God's hand.

According to thy promise, Lord,
Thou givest speech with grace;
That through thy help God's praises may
Resound in every place.

O Holy Ghost, into our minds
Send down thy heav'nly light;
Kindle our hearts with fervent zeal,
To serve God day and night.

Our weakness strengthen and confirm,
(For, Lord, thou know'st us frail;)
That neither devil, world, nor flesh,
Against us may prevail.

Put back our enemy far from us,
  And help us to obtain
Peace in our hearts with God and man,
  (The best, the truest gain ;)

And grant that thou being, O Lord,
  Our leader and our guide,
We may escape the snares of sin,
  And never from thee slide.

Such measures of thy powerful grace
  Grant, Lord, to us, we pray ;
That thou may'st be our Comforter
  At the last dreadful day.

Of strife and of dissension
  Dissolve, O Lord, the bands,
And knit the knots of peace and love
  Throughout all Christian lands.

Grant us the grace that we may know
  The Father of all might,
That we of his beloved Son
  May gain the blissful sight ;

And that we may with perfect faith
  Ever acknowledge thee,
The Spirit of Father, and of Son,
  One God in Persons Three.

To God the Father laud and praise,
  And to his blessed Son,
And to the Holy Spirit of grace,
  Co-equal Three in One.

And pray we, that our only Lord
  Would please his Spirit to send
On all that shall profess his Name,
  From hence to the world's end. Amen.

¶ *That done, the Bishop shall pray in this wise, and say,*

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, and heavenly Father, who, of thine infinite love and goodness towards us, hast given to us thy only and most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer, and the Author of everlasting life; who, after he had made perfect our redemption by his death, and was ascended into heaven, sent abroad into the world his Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Doctors, and Pastors; by whose labour and ministry he gathered together a great flock in all the parts of the world, to set forth the eternal praise of thy holy Name: For these so great benefits of thy eternal goodness, and for that thou hast vouchsafed to call these thy servants here present to the same Office and Ministry appointed for the salvation of mankind, we render unto thee most hearty thanks, we praise and worship thee; and we humbly beseech thee, by the same thy blessed Son, to grant unto all, which either here or elsewhere call upon thy holy Name, that we may continue to shew ourselves thankful unto thee for these and all other thy benefits; and that we may daily increase and go forwards in the knowledge and faith of thee and thy Son, by the Holy Spirit. So that as well by these thy Ministers, as by them over whom they shall be appointed thy Ministers, thy holy Name may be for ever glorified, and thy blessed kingdom enlarged; through the same thy

Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *When this Prayer is done, the Bishop with the Priests present shall lay their hands severally upon the head of every one that receiveth the Order of Priesthood; the Receivers humbly kneeling upon their knees, and the Bishop saying,*

RECEIVE the holy Ghost for the Office and Work of a Priest in the Church of God, now committed unto thee by the Imposition of our hands. Whose sins thou dost forgive, they are forgiven; and whose sins thou dost retain, they are retained. And be thou a faithful Dispenser of the Word of God, and of his holy Sacraments; In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *Then the Bishop shall deliver to every one of them kneeling, the Bible into his hand, saying,*

TAKE thou Authority to preach the Word of God, and to minister the holy Sacraments in the Congregation, where thou shalt be lawfully appointed thereunto.

¶ *When this is done, the* Nicene *Creed shall be sung or said; and the Bishop shall after that go on in the Service of the Communion, which all they that receive Orders shall take together, and remain in the same place where Hands were laid upon them, until such time as they have received the Communion.*

¶ *The Communion being done, after the last Collect, and immediately before the Benediction, shall be said these Collects.*

MOST merciful Father, we beseech thee to send upon these thy servants thy heavenly blessing; that they may be clothed with righteousness, and that thy Word

spoken by their mouths may have such success, that it may never be spoken in vain. Grant also, that we may have grace to hear and receive what they shall deliver out of thy most holy Word, or agreeable to the same, as the means of our salvation; that in all our words and deeds we may seek thy glory, and the increase of thy kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings, with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

¶ *And if on the same day the Order of Deacons be given to some, and the Order of Priesthood to others; the Deacons shall be first presented, and then the Priests; and it shall suffice that the Litany be once said for both. The Collects shall both be used; first, that for Deacons, then that for Priests. The Epistle shall be* Ephesians 4. 7-13, *as before in this Office. Immediately after which, they that are to be made Deacons shall be examined, and Ordained, as is above prescribed. Then one of them having read the Gospel (which shall be either out of* St. Matthew 9. 36-38, *as before in this Office; or else* St. Luke 12. 35-38, *as before in the Form for the Ordering of Deacons,) they that are to be made Priests shall likewise be examined, and Ordained, as is in this Office before appointed.*

THE FORM OF ORDAINING OR CONSECRATING OF AN ARCHBISHOP OR BISHOP; WHICH IS ALWAYS TO BE PERFORMED UPON SOME SUNDAY OR HOLY-DAY.

¶ *When all things are duly prepared in the Church, and set in order, after Morning Prayer is ended, the Archbishop (or some other Bishop appointed) shall begin the Communion Service; in which this shall be*

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst give to thy holy Apostles many excellent gifts, and didst charge them to feed thy flock; Give grace, we beseech thee, to all Bishops, the Pastors of thy Church, that they may diligently preach thy Word, and duly administer the godly Discipline thereof; and grant to the people, that they may obediently follow the same; that all may receive the crown of everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *And another Bishop shall read the Epistle.*

1 Timothy 3. 1.

THIS is a true saying, If a man desire the Office of a Bishop, he desireth a good work. A Bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach; not given to wine, no striker, not

greedy of filthy lucre, but patient, not a brawler, not covetous; one that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity; (For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the Church of God?) Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil. Moreover, he must have a good report of them which are without; lest he fall into reproach, and the snare of the devil.

Or this.

For the Epistle. Acts 20. 17.

FROM Miletus Paul sent to Ephesus, and called the elders of the Church. And when they were come to him, he said unto them, Ye know, from the first day that I came into Asia, after what manner I have been with you at all seasons, serving the Lord with all humility of mind, and with many tears and temptations which befell me by the lying in wait of the Jews: And how I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have shewed you, and have taught you publickly, and from house to house, testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. And now behold, I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befall me there; save that the Holy Ghost witnesseth in every city, saying, That bonds and afflictions abide me. But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear

unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the Gospel of the grace of God. And now behold, I know that ye all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, shall see my face no more. Wherefore I take you to record this day, that I am pure from the blood of all men. For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God. Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you Overseers, to feed the Church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood. For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them. Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years, I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears. And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified. I have coveted no man's silver, or gold, or apparel; yea, ye yourselves know, that these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me. I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak; and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.

¶ *Then another Bishop shall read the Gospel.*

St. John 21. 15.

JESUS saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord, thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs. He saith to him again the second time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord, thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my sheep. He saith unto him the third time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? Peter was grieved because he said unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto him, Feed my sheep.

Or else this. St. John 20. 19.

THE same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus, and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord. Then saith Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the holy Ghost. Whosesoever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whosesoever sins ye retain, they are retained.

Or this. St. Matthew 28. 18.

JESUS came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.

¶ *After the Gospel, and the* Nicene *Creed, and the Sermon are ended, the Elected Bishop (vested with his Rochet) shall be presented by two Bishops unto the Archbishop of that province (or to some other Bishop appointed by lawful commission) the Archbishop sitting in his chair near the holy Table, and the Bishops that present him saying,*

MOST Reverend Father in God, we present unto you this godly and well-learned man to be Ordained and Consecrated Bishop.

¶ *Then shall the Archbishop demand the Queen's Mandate for the Consecration, and cause it to be read. And then shall be ministered unto them the Oath of due Obedience to the Archbishop, as followeth.*

The Oath of due Obedience to the Archbishop.

IN the Name of God. Amen. I *N.* chosen Bishop of the Church and See of *N.* do profess and promise all due reverence and obedience to the Archbishop and to the Metropolitical Church of *N.* and to their Successors: So help me God, through Jesus Christ.

¶ *This Oath shall not be made at the Consecration of an Archbishop.*

¶ *Then the Archbishop shall move the Congregation present to pray, saying thus to them:*

BRETHREN, it is written in the Gospel of Saint Luke, That our Saviour Christ continued the whole night in prayer, before he did choose and send forth his twelve Apostles. It is written also in the Acts of the Apostles, That the Disciples who were at Antioch did fast and pray, before they laid hands on Paul and Barnabas, and sent them forth. Let us therefore, following the example of our Saviour Christ, and his Apostles, first fall to prayer, before we admit, and send forth this person presented unto us, to the work whereunto we trust the Holy Ghost hath called him.

¶ *And then shall be said the Litany, as before in the Form of Ordering Deacons, save only, that after this place* That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, *&c. the proper Suffrage there following shall be omitted, and this inserted instead of it;*

THAT it may please thee to bless this our Brother elected, and to send thy grace upon him, that he may duly execute the Office whereunto he is called, to the edifying of thy Church, and to the honour, praise and glory of thy Name;

Answer. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

¶ *Then shall be said this Prayer following.*

ALMIGHTY God, giver of all good things, who by thy Holy Spirit hast appointed divers Orders of Ministers in thy Church; Mercifully behold this thy servant now called to the Work and Ministry of a Bishop; and replenish him so with the truth of thy doctrine, and adorn him with inno-

cency of life, that, both by word and deed, he may faithfully serve thee in this Office, to the glory of thy Name, and the edifying and well-governing of thy Church; through the merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Archbishop, sitting in his chair, shall say to him that is to be Consecrated,*

BROTHER, forasmuch as the holy Scripture and the ancient Canons command, that we should not be hasty in laying on hands, and admitting any person to Government in the Church of Christ, which he hath purchased with no less price than the effusion of his own blood; before I admit you to this Administration, I will examine you in certain Articles, to the end that the Congregation present may have a trial, and bear witness, how you be minded to behave yourself in the Church of God.

ARE you persuaded that you be truly called to this Ministration, according to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the order of this Realm?

Answer. I am so persuaded.

The Archbishop.

ARE you persuaded that the holy Scriptures contain sufficiently all Doctrine required of necessity for eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ? And are you determined out of the same holy Scriptures to instruct the people committed to your charge; and to teach or maintain nothing as

required of necessity to eternal salvation, but that which you shall be persuaded may be concluded and proved by the same?

Answer. I am so persuaded, and determined, by God's grace.

The Archbishop.

WILL you then faithfully exercise yourself in the same holy Scriptures, and call upon God by prayer, for the true understanding of the same; so as you may be able by them to teach and exhort with wholesome Doctrine, and to withstand and convince the gainsayers?

Answer. I will so do, by the help of God.

The Archbishop.

ARE you ready, with all faithful diligence, to banish and drive away all erroneous and strange doctrine contrary to God's Word; and both privately and openly to call upon and encourage others to the same?

Answer. I am ready, the Lord being my helper.

The Archbishop.

WILL you deny all ungodliness and worldly lusts, and live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world; that you may shew yourself in all things an example of good works unto others, that the adversary may be ashamed, having nothing to say against you?

Answer. I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

The Archbishop.

WILL you maintain and set forward, as much as shall lie in you, quietness, love, and peace among all men; and such as be unquiet, disobedient, and criminous, within your Diocese, correct and punish, according to such authority as you have by God's Word, and as to you shall be committed by the Ordinance of this Realm?

Answer. I will so do, by the help of God.

The Archbishop.

WILL you be faithful in Ordaining, sending, or laying hands upon others?

Answer. I will so be, by the help of God.

The Archbishop.

WILL you shew yourself gentle, and be merciful for Christ's sake to poor and needy people, and to all strangers destitute of help?

Answer. I will so shew myself, by God's help.

¶ *Then the Archbishop standing up shall say,*

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who hath given you a good will to do all these things, Grant also unto you strength and power to perform the same; that, he accomplishing in you the good work which he hath begun, you may be found perfect and irreprehensible at the latter day; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE CONSECRATION OF BISHOPS.

¶ *Then shall the Bishop elect put on the rest of the Episcopal habit; and kneeling down,* Veni, Creator Spiritus, *shall be sung or said over him, the Archbishop beginning, and the Bishops, with others that are present, answering by verses, as followeth.*

COME, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire.
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost thy seven-fold gifts impart.

Thy blessed Unction from above,
Is comfort, life, and fire of love.
Enable with perpetual light
The dulness of our blinded sight.

Anoint and cheer our soiled face
With the abundance of thy grace.
Keep far our foes, give peace at home:
Where thou art guide, no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And thee, of both, to be but One.
That, through the ages all along,
This may be our endless song;

Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Or this:

COME, Holy Ghost, eternal God,
Proceeding from above, *&c.*

As before in the Form for Ordering Priests.

¶ *That ended, the Archbishop shall say,*

Lord, hear our prayer.
Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, and most merciful Father, who of thine infinite goodness hast given thine only and dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer, and the Author of everlasting life; who, after that he had made perfect our Redemption by his death, and was ascended into heaven, poured down his gifts abundantly upon men, making some Apostles, some Prophets, some Evangelists, some Pastors and Doctors, to the edifying and making perfect his Church; Grant, we beseech thee, to this thy servant such grace, that he may evermore be ready to spread abroad thy Gospel, the glad tidings of reconciliation with thee; and use the authority given him, not to destruction, but to salvation; not to hurt, but to help: so that as a wise and faithful servant, giving to thy family their portion in due season, he may at last be received into everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who, with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Archbishop and Bishops present shall lay their hands upon the head of the elected Bishop kneeling before them upon his knees, the Archbishop saying,*

RECEIVE the holy Ghost, for the Office and Work of a Bishop in the Church of God, now committed unto thee by the Imposition of our hands; In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen. And remember that thou stir up the grace of God which is given thee by this Imposition of our hands: for God

hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and love, and soberness.

¶ *Then the Archbishop shall deliver him the Bible, saying,*

GIVE heed unto reading, exhortation, and doctrine. Think upon the things contained in this Book. Be diligent in them, that the increase coming thereby may be manifest unto all men. Take heed unto thyself, and to doctrine, and be diligent in doing them: for by so doing thou shalt both save thyself and them that hear thee. Be to the flock of Christ a shepherd, not a wolf; feed them, devour them not. Hold up the weak, heal the sick, bind up the broken, bring again the outcasts, seek the lost. Be so merciful, that you be not too remiss; so minister discipline, that you forget not mercy: that when the chief Shepherd shall appear you may receive the never-fading crown of glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Archbishop shall proceed in the Communion-Service; with whom the new Consecrated Bishop (with others) shall also communicate.*

¶ *And for the last Collect, immediately before the Benediction, shall be said these Prayers.*

MOST merciful Father, we beseech thee to send down upon this thy servant thy heavenly blessing; and so endue him with thy holy Spirit, that he, preaching thy Word, may not only be earnest to reprove, beseech, and rebuke with all patience and doctrine; but also may be to such as believe a wholesome example, in word, in conversation, in love, in faith, in chastity, and in

purity; that, faithfully fulfilling his course, at the latter day he may receive the crown of righteousness laid up by the Lord the righteous Judge, who liveth and reigneth one God with the Father and the Holy Ghost, world without end. *Amen.*

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings, with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life: through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost be amongst vou, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

FORMS OF

PRAYER WITH THANKSGIVING TO ALMIGHTY GOD;

For use in all Churches and Chapels within this Realm, every Year, upon the Anniversary of the Day of the Accession of the Reigning Sovereign, or upon such other Day as shall be appointed by Authority.

I.

¶ At Mattins and Evensong the following Psalms, Lessons, Suffrages, and Collects may be used.

***Proper Psalms*, 20, 101, 121.**

Proper Lessons.

The First, Joshua 1. to ver. 10, or Proverbs 8. to ver. 17.

The Second, Romans 13. to ver. 11, or Revelation 21. 22—22. 4.

The Suffrages next after the Creed.

Priest. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
Answer. And grant us thy salvation.
Priest. O Lord, save the Queen.
Answer. Who putteth her trust in thee.
Priest. Send her help from thy holy place.
Answer. And evermore mightily defend her
Priest. Be unto her, O Lord, a strong tower.
Answer. From the face of her enemies.
Priest. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.
Answer. And make thy chosen people joyful.

Priest. O Lord, save thy people.
Answer. And bless thine inheritance.
Priest. Give peace in our time, O Lord.
Answer. Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.
Priest. O Lord, hear our prayer.
Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

¶ *After the first Collect, at Morning or Evening Prayer, the following Collect.*

O GOD, who providest for thy people by thy power, and rulest over them in love; Vouchsafe so to bless thy Servant our Queen, that under her this nation may be wisely governed, and thy Church may serve thee in all godly quietness; and grant that she being devoted to thee with her whole heart, and persevering in good works unto the end, may, by thy guidance, come to thine everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *If the Litany be sung or said, these Prayers immediately after the Prayer,* We humbly beseech thee: *and if the Litany be not said, then these Prayers instead of the Prayers for the Queen and for the Royal Family at Mattins or Evensong.*

O LORD our God, who upholdest and governest all things by the word of thy power; Receive our humble prayers for our Sovereign Lady *ELIZABETH, as on this day,* set over us by thy grace and providence to be our Queen; and, together with her, bless, we beseech thee, *Elizabeth* the Queen Mother, Queen *Mary, Philip* Duke of *Edinburgh, Charles* Duke of *Cornwall,* and all the Royal Family; that they, ever trusting in thy goodness,

protected by thy power, and crowned with thy gracious and endless favour, may long continue before thee in peace and safety, joy and honour, and after death may obtain everlasting life and glory; by the merits and mediation of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY GOD, who rulest over all the kingdoms of the world, and dost order them according to thy good pleasure; We yield thee unfeigned thanks, for that thou wast pleased, *as on this day*, to set thy Servant our Sovereign Lady, Queen *ELIZABETH*, upon the throne of this Realm. Let thy wisdom be her guide, and let thine arm strengthen her; let truth and justice, holiness and righteousness, peace and charity, abound in her days. Direct all her counsels and endeavours to thy glory, and the welfare of her subjects; give us grace to obey her cheerfully for conscience sake, and let her always possess the hearts of her people; let her Reign be long and prosperous, and crown her with everlasting life in the world to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer for Unity.

O GOD, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Saviour, the Prince of Peace; Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions. Take away all hatred and prejudice, and whatsoever else may hinder us from godly Union and Concord:

that, as there is but one Body, and one Spirit, and one Hope of our Calling, one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of us all, so we may henceforth be all of one heart, and of one soul, united in one holy bond of Truth and Peace, of Faith and Charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

II.

THE COMMUNION.

¶ *In the Order of the Administration of Holy Communion, in place of the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel of the day, shall be said the following.*

The Collect.

O GOD, who providest for thy people by thy power, and rulest over them in love; Vouchsafe so to bless thy Servant our Queen, that under her this nation may be wisely governed, and thy Church may serve thee in all godly quietness; and grant that she being devoted to thee with her whole heart, and persevering in good works unto the end, may, by thy guidance, come to thine everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 1 St. Peter 2. 11.

DEARLY beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul;

having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by your good works which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation. Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it be to the King, as supreme; or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by him for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise of them that do well. For so is the will of God, that with well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men: as free, and not using your liberty for a cloke of maliciousness, but as the servants of God. Honour all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the King.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 22. 16.

AND they sent out unto him their disciples with the Herodians, saying, Master, we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest thou for any man: for thou regardest not the person of men. Tell us therefore, What thinkest thou? Is it lawful to give tribute unto Cæsar, or not? But Jesus perceived their wickedness, and said, Why tempt ye me, ye hypocrites? Shew me the tribute money. And they brought unto him a penny. And he saith unto them, Whose is this image and superscription? They say unto him, Cæsar's. Then saith he unto them, Render therefore unto Cæsar the things which are Cæsar's; and unto God the things that are God's. When they had heard these

words, they marvelled, and left him, and went their way.

¶ *If this day should fall on a Sunday or other holy day, the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel of the day shall be used, and the Collect,* O God, who providest, *shall be said after the Collect of the day.*

III.

¶ *The following Service may also be used on the same day at any convenient time.*

TE DEUM LAUDAMUS.

WE praise thee, O God : we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship thee : the Father everlasting.

To thee all Angels cry aloud : the Heavens, and all the Powers therein.

To thee Cherubin, and Seraphin : continually do cry,

Holy, Holy, Holy : Lord God of Sabaoth ;

Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty : of thy Glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles : praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of the Prophets praise thee.

The noble army of Martyrs : praise thee.

The holy Church throughout all the world : doth acknowledge thee ;

The Father : of an infinite Majesty ;

Thine honourable, true : and only Son ;

Also the Holy Ghost : the Comforter.

THOU art the King of Glory : O Christ.

Thou art the everlasting Son : of the Father.

When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man : thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.

When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death : thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God : in the Glory of the Father.

We believe that thou shalt come : to be our Judge.

We therefore pray thee, help thy servants : whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with thy Saints : in glory everlasting.

O LORD, save thy people : and bless thine heritage.

Govern them : and lift them up for ever.

Day by day : we magnify thee ;

And we worship thy Name : ever world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord : to keep us this day without sin.

O Lord, have mercy upon us : have mercy upon us.

O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us : as our trust is in thee.

O Lord, in thee have I trusted : let me never be confounded.

¶ *Then the Priest shall say,*

The Lord be with you.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

¶ *Then the Priest standing up shall say,*

O Lord, save the Queen.

Answer. Who putteth her trust in thee.

Priest. Send her help from thy holy place.

Answer. And evermore mightily defend her.

Priest. Let her enemies have no advantage of her.

Answer. Nor the wicked approach to hurt her.

Priest. O Lord, hear our prayer.

Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

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ALMIGHTY GOD, the fountain of all wisdom, who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking; We beseech thee to have compassion upon our infirmities; and those things, which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us, for the worthiness of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

"ELIZABETH R.

"WHEREAS by Royal Warrant dated "the Twenty-first day of November, "One thousand nine hundred and forty-"seven, certain Forms of Prayer and Service "were made for the Eleventh day of "December and commanded to be printed "and published and annexed to the Book "of Common Prayer and Liturgy of the "Church of England to be used yearly in "all Churches and Chapels within the "Provinces of Canterbury and York:

"NOW Our Will and Pleasure is that "the said Royal Warrant be revoked, and "that the use of the said Forms of Prayer "and Service be discontinued; and that the "Forms of Prayer and Service hereunto "annexed be forthwith printed and pub-"lished and annexed to the Book of Com-"mon Prayer and Liturgy of the Church of "England to be used yearly on the Sixth "day of February in all Churches and "Chapels within the Provinces of Canter-"bury and York.

"GIVEN at Our Court at Saint James's, "the Tenth day of March, 1952; In the "First Year of Our Reign.

"By Her Majesty's Command,

"DAVID MAXWELL FYFE."

ARTICLES

AGREED UPON

BY THE ARCHBISHOPS AND BISHOPS OF BOTH PROVINCES, AND THE WHOLE CLERGY,

IN

THE CONVOCATION HOLDEN AT LONDON IN THE YEAR 1562,

FOR THE AVOIDING OF DIVERSITIES OF OPINIONS, AND FOR THE ESTABLISHING OF CONSENT TOUCHING TRUE RELIGION:

Reprinted by command of His Majesty King Charles I

WITH HIS ROYAL DECLARATION PREFIXED THEREUNTO.

HIS MAJESTY'S DECLARATION.

BEING by God's Ordinance, according to Our just Title, *Defender of the Faith, and Supreme Governor of the Church, within these Our Dominions,* We hold it most agreeable to this Our Kingly Office, and Our own religious Zeal, to conserve and maintain the Church committed to Our Charge, in the Unity of true Religion, and in the Bond of Peace; and not to suffer unnecessary Disputations, Altercations, or Questions to be raised, which may nourish Faction both in the Church and Commonwealth. We have therefore, upon mature Deliberation, and with the Advice of so many of Our Bishops as might conveniently be called together, thought fit to make this Declaration following:

That the Articles of the Church of *England* (which have been allowed and authorized heretofore, and which Our Clergy generally have subscribed unto) do contain the true Doctrine of the Church of *England* agreeable to God's Word: which We do therefore ratify and confirm, requiring all Our loving Subjects to continue in the uniform Profession thereof, and prohibiting the least difference from the said Articles; which to that End We command to be new printed, and this Our Declaration to be published therewith.

That We are Supreme Governor of the Church of *England:* And that if any Difference arise about the external Policy, concerning the *Injunctions, Canons,* and other *Constitutions* whatsoever thereto belonging, the Clergy in their Convocation is to order and settle them, having first obtained leave under Our Broad Seal so to do: and We approving their said Ordinances and Constitutions; providing that none be made contrary to the Laws and Customs of the Land.

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That out of Our Princely Care that the Churchmen may do the Work which is proper unto them, the Bishops and Clergy, from time to time in Convocation, upon their humble Desire, shall have Licence under Our Broad Seal to deliberate of, and to do all such Things, as, being made plain by them, and assented unto by Us, shall concern the settled Continuance of the Doctrine and Discipline of the Church of *England* now established; from which We will not endure any varying or departing in the least Degree.

That for the present, though some differences have been ill raised, yet We take comfort in this, that all Clergymen within Our Realm have always most willingly subscribed to the Articles established; which is an argument to Us, that they all agree in the true, usual, literal meaning of the said Articles; and that even in those curious points, in which the present differences lie, men of all sorts take the Articles of the Church of *England* to be for them; which is an argument again, that none of them intend any desertion of the Articles established.

That therefore in these both curious and unhappy differences, which have for so many hundred years, in different times and places, exercised the Church of Christ, We will, that all further curious search be laid aside, and these disputes shut up in God's promises, as they be generally set forth to us in the holy Scriptures, and the general meaning of the Articles of the Church of *England* according to them. And that no man hereafter shall either print, or preach, to draw the Article aside any way, but shall submit to it in the plain and full meaning thereof: and shall not put his own sense or comment to be the meaning of the Article, but shall take it in the literal and grammatical sense.

HIS MAJESTY'S DECLARATION.

That if any publick Reader in either of Our Universities, or any Head or Master of a College, or any other person respectively in either of them, shall affix any new sense to any Article, or shall publickly read, determine, or hold any publick Disputation, or suffer any such to be held either way, in either the Universities or Colleges respectively; or if any Divine in the Universities shall preach or print any thing either way, other than is already established in Convocation with Our Royal Assent; he, or they the Offenders, shall be liable to Our displeasure, and the Church's censure in Our Commission Ecclesiastical, as well as any other: And We will see there shall be due Execution upon them.

ARTICLES OF RELIGION.

I. *Of Faith in the Holy Trinity.*

THERE is but one living and true God, everlasting, without body, parts, or passions; of infinite power, wisdom, and goodness; the Maker, and Preserver of all things both visible and invisible. And in unity of this Godhead there be three Persons, of one substance, power, and eternity; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

II. *Of the Word or Son of God, which was made very Man.*

THE Son, which is the Word of the Father, begotten from everlasting of the Father, the very and eternal God, and of one substance with the Father, took Man's nature in the womb of the blessed Virgin, of her substance: so that two whole and perfect Natures, that is to say, the Godhead and Manhood, were joined together in one Person, never to be divided, whereof is one Christ, very God, and very Man; who truly suffered, was crucified, dead and buried, to reconcile his Father to us, and to be a sacrifice, not only for original guilt, but also for all actual sins of men.

III. *Of the going down of Christ into Hell.*

AS Christ died for us, and was buried, so also is it to be believed, that he went down into Hell.

IV. *Of the Resurrection of Christ.*

CHRIST did truly rise again from death, and took again his body, with flesh, bones, and all things appertaining to the

perfection of Man's nature; wherewith he ascended into Heaven, and there sitteth, until he return to judge all Men at the last day.

V. *Of the Holy Ghost.*

THE Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son, is of one substance, majesty, and glory, with the Father and the Son, very and eternal God.

VI. *Of the Sufficiency of the holy Scriptures for salvation.*

HOLY Scripture containeth all things necessary to salvation: so that whatsoever is not read therein, nor may be proved thereby, is not to be required of any man, that it should be believed as an article of the Faith, or be thought requisite or necessary to salvation. In the name of the holy Scripture we do understand those canonical Books of the Old and New Testament, of whose authority was never any doubt in the Church.

Of the Names and Number of the Canonical BOOKS.

GENESIS,
Exodus,
Leviticus,
Numbers,
Deuteronomy,
Joshua,
Judges,
Ruth,
The First Book of Samuel,
The Second Book of Samuel,
The First Book of Kings,
The Second Book of Kings,
The First Book of Chronicles,
The Second Book of Chronicles,
The First Book of Esdras,
The Second Book of Esdras,
The Book of Esther,
The Book of Job,
The Psalms,
The Proverbs,
Ecclesiastes or Preacher,
Cantica, or Songs of Solomon,
Four Prophets the greater,
Twelve Prophets the less.

And the other Books (as *Hierome* saith) the Church doth read for example of life and in-

struction of manners; but yet doth it not apply them to establish any doctrine; such are these following:

The Third Book of Esdras,
The Fourth Book of Esdras,
The Book of Tobias,
The Book of Judith,
The rest of the Book of Esther,
The Book of Wisdom,
Jesus the Son of Sirach,
Baruch the Prophet,
The Song of the Three Children,
The Story of Susanna,
Of Bel and the Dragon,
The Prayer of Manasses,
The First Book of Maccabees,
The Second Book of Maccabees.

All the Books of the New Testament, as they are commonly received, we do receive, and account them Canonical.

VII. *Of the Old Testament.*

THE Old Testament is not contrary to the New: for both in the Old and New Testament everlasting life is offered to Mankind by Christ, who is the only Mediator between God and Man, being both God and Man. Wherefore they are not to be heard, which feign that the old Fathers did look only for transitory promises. Although the Law given from God by Moses, as touching Ceremonies and Rites, do not bind Christian men, nor the Civil precepts thereof ought of necessity to be received in any commonwealth; yet notwithstanding, no Christian man whatsoever is free from the obedience of the Commandments which are called Moral.

VIII. *Of the Three Creeds.*

THE Three Creeds, *Nicene* Creed, *Athanasius's* Creed, and that which is commonly called the *Apostles'* Creed, ought

thoroughly to be received and believed: for they may be proved by most certain warrants of holy Scripture.

IX. *Of Original or Birth-sin.*

ORIGINAL Sin standeth not in the following of *Adam*, (as the *Pelagians* do vainly talk;) but it is the fault and corruption of the Nature of every man, that naturally is ingendered of the offspring of *Adam*; whereby man is very far gone from original righteousness, and is of his own nature inclined to evil, so that the flesh lusteth always contrary to the spirit; and therefore in every person born into this world, it deserveth God's wrath and damnation. And this infection of nature doth remain, yea in them that are regenerated; whereby the lust of the flesh, called in Greek, φρόνημα σαρκὸς, which some do expound the wisdom, some sensuality, some the affection, some the desire, of the flesh, is not subject to the Law of God. And although there is no condemnation for them that believe and are baptized, yet the Apostle doth confess, that concupiscence and lust hath of itself the nature of sin.

X. *Of Free-Will.*

THE condition of Man after the fall of *Adam* is such, that he cannot turn and prepare himself, by his own natural strength and good works, to faith, and calling upon God: Wherefore we have no power to do good works pleasant and acceptable to God, without the grace of God by Christ prevent-

ing us, that we may have a good will, and working with us, when we have that good will.

XI. *Of the Justification of Man.*

WE are accounted righteous before God, only for the merit of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ by Faith, and not for our own works or deservings: Wherefore, that we are justified by Faith only is a most wholesome Doctrine, and very full of comfort, as more largely is expressed in the Homily of Justification.

XII. *Of Good Works.*

ALBEIT that Good Works, which are the fruits of Faith, and follow after Justification, cannot put away our sins, and endure the severity of God's Judgement; yet are they pleasing and acceptable to God in Christ, and do spring out necessarily of a true and lively Faith; insomuch that by them a lively Faith may be as evidently known as a tree discerned by the fruit.

XIII. *Of Works before Justification.*

WORKS done before the grace of Christ, and the Inspiration of his Spirit, are not pleasant to God, forasmuch as they spring not of faith in Jesus Christ, neither do they make men meet to receive grace, or (as the School-authors say) deserve grace of congruity: yea rather, for that they are not done as God hath willed and commanded them to be done, we doubt not but they have the nature of sin.

XIV. *Of Works of Supererogation.*

VOLUNTARY Works besides, over and above, God's Commandments, which they call Works of Supererogation, cannot be taught without arrogancy and impiety: for by them men do declare, that they do not only render unto God as much as they are bound to do, but that they do more for his sake, than of bounden duty is required: whereas Christ saith plainly, When ye have done all that are commanded to you, say, We are unprofitable servants.

XV. *Of Christ alone without Sin.*

CHRIST in the truth of our nature was made like unto us in all things, sin only except, from which he was clearly void, both in his flesh, and in his spirit. He came to be the Lamb without spot, who, by sacrifice of himself once made, should take away the sins of the world, and sin, as Saint *John* saith, was not in him. But all we the rest, although baptized, and born again in Christ, yet offend in many things; and if we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

XVI. *Of Sin after Baptism.*

NOT every deadly sin willingly committed after Baptism is sin against the Holy Ghost, and unpardonable. Wherefore the grant of repentance is not to be denied to such as fall into sin after Baptism. After we have received the Holy Ghost, we may depart from grace given, and fall into sin, and by the grace of God we may arise again,

and amend our lives. And therefore they are to be condemned, which say, they can no more sin as long as they live here, or deny the place of forgiveness to such as truly repent.

XVII. *Of Predestination and Election.*

PREDESTINATION to Life is the everlasting purpose of God, whereby (before the foundations of the world were laid) he hath constantly decreed by his counsel secret to us, to deliver from curse and damnation those whom he hath chosen in Christ out of mankind, and to bring them by Christ to everlasting salvation, as vessels made to honour. Wherefore, they which be endued with so excellent a benefit of God be called according to God's purpose by his Spirit working in due season: they through Grace obey the calling: they be justified freely: they be made sons of God by adoption : they be made like the image of his only-begotten Son Jesus Christ: they walk religiously in good works, and at length, by God's mercy, they attain to everlasting felicity.

As the godly consideration of Predestination, and our Election in Christ, is full of sweet, pleasant, and unspeakable comfort to godly persons, and such as feel in themselves the working of the Spirit of Christ, mortifying the works of the flesh, and their earthly members, and drawing up their mind to high and heavenly things, as well because it doth greatly establish and confirm their faith of eternal Salvation to be enjoyed through

Christ, as because it doth fervently kindle their love towards God: So, for curious and carnal persons, lacking the Spirit of Christ, to have continually before their eyes the sentence of God's Predestination, is a most dangerous downfall, whereby the Devil doth thrust them either into desperation, or into wretchlessness of most unclean living, no less perilous than desperation.

Furthermore, we must receive God's promises in such wise, as they be generally set forth to us in holy Scripture: and, in our doings, that Will of God is to be followed, which we have expressly declared unto us in the Word of God.

XVIII. *Of obtaining eternal Salvation only by the Name of Christ.*

THEY also are to be had accursed that presume to say, That every man shall be saved by the Law or Sect which he professeth, so that he be diligent to frame his life according to that Law, and the light of Nature. For holy Scripture doth set out unto us only the Name of Jesus Christ, whereby men must be saved.

XIX. *Of the Church.*

THE visible Church of Christ is a congregation of faithful men, in the which the pure Word of God is preached, and the Sacraments be duly ministered according to Christ's ordinance in all those things that of necessity are requisite to the same.

As the Church of *Jerusalem*, *Alexandria*, and *Antioch*, have erred; so also the Church

of *Rome* hath erred, not only in their living and manner of Ceremonies, but also in matters of Faith.

XX. *Of the Authority of the Church.*

THE Church hath power to decree Rites or Ceremonies, and authority in Controversies of Faith: And yet it is not lawful for the Church to ordain any thing that is contrary to God's Word written, neither may it so expound one place of Scripture, that it be repugnant to another. Wherefore, although the Church be a witness and a keeper of holy Writ, yet, as it ought not to decree any thing against the same, so besides the same ought it not to enforce any thing to be believed for necessity of Salvation.

XXI. *Of the Authority of General Councils.*

GENERAL Councils may not be gathered together without the commandment and will of Princes. And when they be gathered together, (forasmuch as they be an assembly of men, whereof all be not governed with the Spirit and Word of God,) they may err, and sometimes have erred, even in things pertaining unto God. Wherefore things ordained by them as necessary to salvation have neither strength nor authority, unless it may be declared that they be taken out of holy Scripture.

XXII. *Of Purgatory.*

THE Romish Doctrine concerning Purgatory, Pardons, Worshipping and Adoration, as well of Images as of Reliques, and

also invocation of Saints, is a fond thing vainly invented, and grounded upon no warranty of Scripture, but rather repugnant to the Word of God.

XXIII. *Of Ministering in the Congregation.*

IT is not lawful for any man to take upon him the office of publick preaching, or ministering the Sacraments in the Congregation, before he be lawfully called, and sent to execute the same. And those we ought to judge lawfully called and sent, which be chosen and called to this work by men who have publick authority given unto them in the Congregation, to call and send Ministers into the Lord's vineyard.

XXIV. *Of speaking in the Congregation in such a Tongue as the people understandeth.*

IT is a thing plainly repugnant to the Word of God, and the custom of the Primitive Church, to have publick Prayer in the Church, or to minister the Sacraments in a tongue not understanded of the people.

XXV. *Of the Sacraments.*

SACRAMENTS ordained of Christ be not only badges or tokens of Christian men's profession, but rather they be certain sure witnesses, and effectual signs of grace, and God's good will towards us, by the which he doth work invisibly in us, and doth not only quicken, but also strengthen and confirm our Faith in him.

There are two Sacraments ordained of

Christ our Lord in the Gospel, that is to say, Baptism, and the Supper of the Lord.

Those five commonly called Sacraments, that is to say, Confirmation, Penance, Orders, Matrimony, and extreme Unction, are not to be counted for Sacraments of the Gospel, being such as have grown partly of the corrupt following of the Apostles, partly are states of life allowed in the Scriptures; but yet have not like nature of Sacraments with Baptism, and the Lord's Supper, for that they have not any visible sign or ceremony ordained of God.

The Sacraments were not ordained of Christ to be gazed upon, or to be carried about, but that we should duly use them. And in such only as worthily receive the same they have a wholesome effect or operation: but they that receive them unworthily purchase to themselves damnation, as Saint *Paul* saith.

XXVI. *Of the Unworthiness of the Ministers, which hinders not the effect of the Sacrament.*

ALTHOUGH in the visible Church the evil be ever mingled with the good, and sometimes the evil have chief authority in the Ministration of the Word and Sacraments, yet forasmuch as they do not the same in their own name, but in Christ's, and do minister by his commission and authority, we may use their Ministry, both in hearing the Word of God, and in the receiving of the Sacraments. Neither is the effect of Christ's ordinance taken away by their wickedness, nor the grace of God's gifts diminished from

such as by faith and rightly do receive the Sacraments ministered unto them; which be effectual, because of Christ's institution and promise, although they be ministered by evil men.

Nevertheless, it appertaineth to the discipline of the Church, that enquiry be made of evil Ministers, and that they be accused by those that have knowledge of their offences; and finally being found guilty, by just judgement be deposed.

XXVII. *Of Baptism.*

BAPTISM is not only a sign of profession, and mark of difference, whereby Christian men are discerned from others that be not christened, but it is also a sign of Regeneration or new Birth, whereby, as by an instrument, they that receive Baptism rightly are grafted into the Church; the promises of the forgiveness of sin, and of our adoption to be the sons of God by the Holy Ghost, are visibly signed and sealed; Faith is confirmed, and Grace increased by virtue of prayer unto God. The Baptism of young Children is in any wise to be retained in the Church, as most agreeable with the institution of Christ.

XXVIII. *Of the Lord's Supper.*

THE Supper of the Lord is not only a sign of the love that Christians ought to have among themselves one to another; but rather it is a Sacrament of our Redemption by Christ's death: insomuch that to such as rightly, worthily, and with faith,

receive the same, the Bread which we break is a partaking of the Body of Christ; and likewise the Cup of Blessing is a partaking of the Blood of Christ.

Transubstantiation (or the change of the substance of Bread and Wine) in the Supper of the Lord, cannot be proved by holy Writ; but it is repugnant to the plain words of Scripture, overthroweth the nature of a Sacrament, and hath given occasion to many superstitions.

The Body of Christ is given, taken, and eaten, in the Supper, only after an heavenly and spiritual manner. And the mean whereby the Body of Christ is received and eaten in the Supper is Faith.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was not by Christ's ordinance reserved, carried about, lifted up, or worshipped.

XXIX. *Of the Wicked which eat not the Body of Christ in the use of the Lord's Supper.*

THE Wicked, and such as be void of a lively faith, although they do carnally and visibly press with their teeth (as Saint *Augustine* saith) the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ, yet in no wise are they partakers of Christ: but rather, to their condemnation, do eat and drink the sign or Sacrament of so great a thing.

XXX. *Of both kinds.*

THE Cup of the Lord is not to be denied to the Lay-people: for both the parts of the Lord's Sacrament, by Christ's ordinance

and commandment, ought to be ministered to all Christian men alike.

XXXI. *Of the one Oblation of Christ finished upon the Cross.*

THE Offering of Christ once made is that perfect redemption, propitiation, and satisfaction, for all the sins of the whole world, both original and actual; and there is none other satisfaction for sin, but that alone. Wherefore the sacrifices of Masses, in the which it was commonly said, that the Priest did offer Christ for the quick and the dead, to have remission of pain or guilt, were blasphemous fables, and dangerous deceits.

XXXII. *Of the Marriage of Priests.*

BISHOPS, Priests, and Deacons, are not commanded by God's Law, either to vow the estate of single life, or to abstain from marriage: therefore it is lawful also for them, as for all other Christian men, to marry at their own discretion, as they shall judge the same to serve better to godliness.

XXXIII. *Of excommunicate Persons, how they are to be avoided.*

THAT person which by open denunciation of the Church is rightly cut off from the unity of the Church, and excommunicated, ought to be taken of the whole multitude of the faithful, as an Heathen and Publican, until he be openly reconciled by penance, and received into the Church by a Judge that hath authority thereunto.

XXXIV. *Of the Traditions of the Church.*

IT is not necessary that Traditions and Ceremonies be in all places one, or utterly like; for at all times they have been divers, and may be changed according to the diversities of countries, times, and men's manners, so that nothing be ordained against God's Word. Whosoever through his private judgement, willingly and purposely, doth openly break the traditions and ceremonies of the Church, which be not repugnant to the Word of God, and be ordained and approved by common authority, ought to be rebuked openly, (that others may fear to do the like,) as he that offendeth against the common order of the Church, and hurteth the authority of the Magistrate, and woundeth the consciences of the weak brethren.

Every particular or national Church hath authority to ordain, change, and abolish, ceremonies or rites of the Church ordained only by man's authority, so that all things be done to edifying.

XXXV. *Of Homilies.*

THE second Book of Homilies, the several titles whereof we have joined under this Article, doth contain a godly and wholesome Doctrine, and necessary for these times, as doth the former Book of Homilies, which were set forth in the time of *Edward* the Sixth; and therefore we judge them to be read in Churches by the Ministers, diligently and distinctly, that they may be understanded of the people.

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1 *Of the right Use of the Church.*
2 *Against peril of Idolatry.*
3 *Of the repairing and keeping clean of Churches.*
4 *Of good Works: first of Fasting.*
5 *Against Gluttony and Drunkenness.*
6 *Against Excess of Apparel.*
7 *Of Prayer.*
8 *Of the Place and Time of Prayer.*
9 *That Common Prayers and Sacraments ought to be ministered in a known tongue.*
10 *Of the reverend estimation of God's Word.*
11 *Of Alms-doing.*
12 *Of the Nativity of Christ.*
13 *Of the Passion of Christ.*
14 *Of the Resurrection of Christ.*
15 *Of the worthy receiving of the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ.*
16 *Of the Gifts of the Holy Ghost.*
17 *For the Rogation-days.*
18 *Of the state of Matrimony.*
19 *Of Repentance.*
20 *Against Idleness.*
21 *Against Rebellion.*

XXXVI. *Of Consecration of Bishops and Ministers.*

THE Book of Consecration of Archbishops and Bishops, and Ordering of Priests and Deacons, lately set forth in the time of *Edward* the Sixth, and confirmed at the same time by authority of Parliament, doth contain all things necessary to such Consecration and Ordering: neither hath it any thing, that of itself is superstitious and ungodly. And therefore whosoever are consecrated or ordered according to the Rites of that Book, since the second year of the forenamed King *Edward* unto this time, or hereafter shall be consecrated or ordered according to the same Rites; we decree all such to be rightly, orderly, and lawfully consecrated and ordered.

XXXVII. *Of the Civil Magistrates.*

THE King's Majesty hath the chief power in this Realm of *England*, and other his Dominions, unto whom the chief Government of all Estates of this Realm, whether they be Ecclesiastical or Civil, in all causes doth appertain, and is not, nor ought to be, subject to any foreign Jurisdiction.

Where we attribute to the King's Majesty the chief government, by which Titles we understand the minds of some slanderous folks to be offended; we give not to our Princes the ministering either of God's Word, or of the Sacraments, the which thing the Injunctions also lately set forth by *Elizabeth* our Queen do most plainly testify; but that only prerogative, which we see to have been given always to all godly Princes in holy Scriptures by God himself; that is, that they should rule all estates and degrees committed to their charge by God, whether they be Ecclesiastical or Temporal, and restrain with the civil sword the stubborn and evil-doers.

The Bishop of *Rome* hath no jurisdiction in this Realm of *England*.

The Laws of the Realm may punish Christian men with death, for heinous and grievous offences.

It is lawful for Christian men, at the commandment of the Magistrate, to wear weapons, and serve in the wars.

XXXVIII. *Of Christian men's Goods, which are not common.*

THE Riches and Goods of Christians are not common, as touching the right, title, and possession of the same, as certain Anabaptists do falsely boast. Notwithstanding, every man ought, of such things as he possesseth, liberally to give alms to the poor, according to his ability.

XXXIX. *Of a Christian man's Oath.*

AS we confess that vain and rash Swearing is forbidden Christian men by our Lord Jesus Christ, and *James* his Apostle, so we judge, that Christian Religion doth not prohibit, but that a man may swear when the Magistrate requireth, in a cause of faith and charity, so it be done according to the Prophet's teaching, in justice, judgement, and truth.

THE RATIFICATION.

THIS Book of Articles before rehearsed, is again approved, and allowed to be holden and executed within the Realm, by the assent and consent of our Sovereign Lady ELIZABETH, *by the grace of God, of England, France, and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, &c. Which Articles were deliberately read, and confirmed again by the subscription of the hands of the Archbishop and Bishops of the Upper-house, and by the subscription of the whole Clergy of the Nether-house in their Convocation, in the Year of our Lord* 1571.

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KINDRED AND AFFINITY

WHEREIN WHOSOEVER ARE RELATED ARE FORBIDDEN BY THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND TO MARRY TOGETHER

A Man may not marry his :—

MOTHER
Daughter
Father's mother
Mother's mother
Son's daughter
Daughter's daughter
Sister
Father's daughter
Mother's daughter
Wife's mother
Wife's daughter
Father's wife
Son's wife
Father's father's wife
Mother's father's wife
Wife's father's mother
Wife's mother's mother
Wife's son's daughter
Wife's daughter's daughter
Son's son's wife
Daughter's son's wife
Father's sister
Mother's sister
Brother's daughter
Sister's daughter

A Woman may not marry her :—

FATHER
Son
Father's father
Mother's father
Son's son
Daughter's son
Brother
Father's son
Mother's son
Husband's father
Husband's son
Mother's husband
Daughter's husband
Father's mother's husband
Mother's mother's husband
Husband's father's father
Husband's mother's father
Husband's son's son
Husband's daughter's son
Son's daughter's husband
Daughter's daughter's husband
Father's brother
Mother's brother
Brother's son
Sister's son

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PREFACE.

THE ENGLISH HYMNAL is a collection of the best hymns in the English language, and is offered as a humble companion to the Book of Common Prayer for use in the Church. It is not a party-book, expressing this or that phase of negation or excess, but an attempt to combine in one volume the worthiest expressions of all that lies within the Christian Creed, from those 'ancient Fathers' who were the earliest hymn-writers down to contemporary exponents of modern aspirations and ideals.

We therefore offer the book to all broad-minded men, in the hope that every one will find within these pages the hymns which he rightly wants. At the same time, since literary, musical, and religious standards vary, a really inclusive collection must of necessity be larger than the needs of each particular individual: hymn books, indeed, afford special facilities in this respect, because those who use them can select according to their requirements. Such a method of selection we have ourselves suggested in the Musical Edition by a List of simple hymns, which may satisfy the ordinary needs of many parishes; while we have also arranged a Table of hymns for all the Sundays and Holy-days of the year, which covers the whole ground. Thus we have endeavoured to produce a book that shall suit the needs of learned and simple alike, and

shall at the same time exhibit the characteristic virtue of hymnody,—its witness, namely, to the fact that in the worship of God Christians are drawn the closer together as they are drawn more closely to the one Lord. In Christian song Churches have forgotten their quarrels and men have lost their limitations, because they have reached the higher ground where the soul is content to affirm and to adore. The hymns of Christendom show more clearly than anything else that there is even now such a thing as the unity of the Spirit.

Little explanation is needed of the principles which governed the selection and arrangement of the hymns. The new work, inserted in every case to fill an acknowledged gap or to introduce a tune of special excellence, must stand or fall on its merits. One feature, however, requires a word of comment. Hymns are printed, wherever possible, as their authors wrote them. To many it will be a surprise to find that the ascription of a hymn to this or that author, when it was given at all in hymnals of the last century, was very often misleading. The public now has the opportunity of comparing many originals with their altered versions; and few, we venture to predict, will deny that they had been altered for the worse. Occasionally, indeed, the music requires the removal of an extra word if a hymn is to be used at all, as for instance in Neale's hymn, No. 137 (The Day of Resurrection), and in Milton's, No. 532 (Let us with a gladsome mind); but although these hymns are marked as altered, none of their character-

istic epithets have been changed. Sometimes alterations are justified for other reasons; and some translations are the work of several hands. But, apart from such exceptional cases, the efforts, so often made in the past to improve the work of competent authors, have had the inevitable result. The freshness and strength of the originals have been replaced by stock phrases and commonplace sentiments; and injury has been done to the quality of our public worship as well as to the memory of great hymn-writers.

A Hymn Book that is offered as a companion to the Book of Common Prayer must provide adequately not only for Sundays but also for all those other Holy-days which in the Prayer Book are ordered to be observed precisely in the same way as Sundays. The Office Hymns for the Saints' Days 'to be observed' are therefore given, as well as many suitable modern hymns: to these have been added the hymns for the Minor Saints' Days of the Anglican Calendar (since it is a common practice to sing a hymn as a memorial of such days), although we recognize the fact that as there is no Office for such days in the Prayer Book they can have no Office Hymn in the strict sense of the word.

The Hymns marked 'Office Hymn' are translations from those appointed in the ancient choir-services of the English Church. In suggesting these as specially suitable, by placing them out of the alphabetical order under a special heading, we have followed the example of the Reformers,

who went to the same source for our present Offices of Morning and Evening Prayer. Very many of these hymns are already well known, thanks to the good work of former hymnals; but there remained many Sundays and other days for which the proper hymns were not provided. There is indeed no need for all the hymns of all the ancient services, such as the hymns for both Mattins and Lauds on every occasion; but there is a legitimate demand for all those hymns which belong to the services of Morning and Evening Prayer, according to the Prayer Book Calendar. The need has long been felt of such a complete set of these ancient hymns, which in their Scriptural simplicity and sober dignity represent the deep Christian experience of more than a thousand years. This need we have now supplied, endeavouring where new translations were required to convey as faithfully as possible the spirit of the originals, so that in these hymns also the authors should speak for themselves.

Thus we have made complete provision for the liturgical requirements of Churchmen, while we have at the same time added many modern hymns of the first rank which have not hitherto been at their disposal. In so doing we have attempted to redress those defects in popular hymnody which are deeply felt by thoughtful men; for the best hymns of Christendom are as free as the Bible from the self-centred sentimentalism, the weakness and unreality which mark inferior productions. The great hymns, indeed, of all ages abound in the conviction that duty lies at the heart

of the Christian life—a double duty to God and to our neighbour; and such hymns, like the Prayer Book, are for all sorts and conditions of men.

EXPLANATORY NOTES.

THE book is divided into twelve parts, and the hymns are arranged alphabetically in each part or section, so that they may be readily found. In Parts I to III, the Office Hymns for each occasion are placed first, and after them the other hymns follow in alphabetical order. Part X is divided into two sections: the first consists of hymns and prayers arranged so that processions may be definite acts of prayer and worship, after the manner of the Prayer Book Litany and the older processions upon which it is based; the second contains other hymns that are suitable for use in procession. The Metrical Litanies in Part XI are similarly arranged, so that they form complete acts of prayer. Part XII consists of liturgical prose pieces, which are arranged in their natural order.

The heading 'OFFICE HYMN' shows that the original was the Office Hymn for the corresponding service in the Salisbury service-books, except in the case of No. 175, which is taken from those of York. The letters 'E.' and 'M.' stand for Evensong and Mattins, the first Evensong being that on the day before the festival. When these letters occur twice for the same festival or season ('E.' and 'M.,' 'M.' and 'E.'), the first 'E.' denotes the hymn for the first Evensong, and the second 'E.' the Evensong on the day itself; while the

first 'M.' shows that the hymn anciently belonged to Mattins only, and the second 'M.' stands over the hymn that belonged to Lauds: as our present Mattins occupies the place of the older Mattins and Lauds, either hymn is equally suitable.

The names and dates of all authors are given, in so far as they are known. Initials only are provided in the case of living translators, whose names are given in the Index of Authors, and in the case of a few living authors. The letters '*Tr.*' are prefixed to the names of all translators. The number of the Psalm (*Ps.*) is given in the case of paraphrases, though it must be remembered that some paraphrases are extremely free, while others are based upon one or two verses only of a Psalm.

Where the author's or translator's name has no mark, the hymn is unaltered or has been revised by the author himself. The sign '†' shows that an alteration has been made in one line only; the sign '‡' denotes alterations in two or three lines. To hymns that are the work of more than one writer a second name is given, or the words '*and others*' are added. Translations which have no one special source are marked '*Tr. cento.*' Alterations in spelling are not marked, nor is any note made of the omission of verses, nor do the statements as to authorship refer to the doxologies.

In the case of long hymns and of hymns with slow tunes, the sign '*' is prefixed to those verses which may be most conveniently omitted. It does not follow that verses so marked are considered in

any way inferior, but only that they can be omitted without doing violence to the context.

Choruses and refrains are printed once for all in italic. 'Amen' is only printed with doxologies. In the case of other hymns its use is sometimes appropriate and sometimes not; but in the Musical Edition it is given with its musical setting in every case except that of sequences, so that it can be sung when desired. The verses are numbered, and in order to show when the last verse of a hymn is reached at the bottom of a page, a full point is in every case printed after the number of the last verse.

The Introits are given in Part XII, and as in some churches other Scriptural passages from the older Liturgy are occasionally used, these also are for convenience given in full. They follow the Introit, and are marked by letters which are explained in a note at the head of this Part.

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Part I.

THE CHRISTIAN YEAR.

ADVENT.

1 Office Hymn. E. *7th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Conditor alme siderum.

CREATOR of the stars of night,
Thy people's everlasting light,
Jesu, Redeemer, save us all,
And hear thy servants when they call.

2 Thou, grieving that the ancient curse
Should doom to death a universe,
Hast found the medicine, full of grace,
To save and heal a ruined race.

3 Thou cam'st, the Bridegroom of the bride,
As drew the world to evening-tide;
Proceeding from a virgin shrine,
The spotless Victim all divine:

4 At whose dread name, majestic now,
All knees must bend, all hearts must bow;
And things celestial thee shall own,
And things terrestrial, Lord alone.

5 O thou whose coming is with dread
To judge and doom the quick and dead,
Preserve us, while we dwell below,
From every insult of the foe.

6. To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One,
Laud, honour, might, and glory be
From age to age eternally. Amen.

2 OFFICE HYMN. M. *c. 10th cent. Tr. Charles Bigg.*

Verbum supernum prodiens.

HIGH Word of God, who once didst come,
Leaving thy Father and thy home,
To succour by thy birth our kind,
When, towards thine advent, time declined,

2 Pour light upon us from above,
And fire our hearts with thy strong love,
That, as we hear thy Gospel read,
All fond desires may flee in dread;

3 That when thou comest from the skies,
Great Judge, to open thine assize,
To give each hidden sin its smart,
And crown as kings the pure in heart,

4 We be not set at thy left hand,
Where sentence due would bid us stand,
But with the Saints thy face may see,
For ever wholly loving thee.

5. Praise to the Father and the Son,
Through all the ages as they run;
And to the holy Paraclete
Be praise with them and worship meet. Amen.

3 *Horologion. c. 8th cent. Tr. G. Moultrie.*

Ἰδοὺ ὁ Νυμφίος ἔρχεται.

BEHOLD the Bridegroom cometh in the middle of the night,
And blest is he whose loins are girt, whose lamp is burning bright;
But woe to that dull servant, whom the Master shall surprise
With lamp untrimmed, unburning, and with slumber in his eyes.

2 Do thou, my soul, beware, beware, lest thou in sleep sink down,
Lest thou be given o'er to death, and lose the golden crown;
But see that thou be sober, with a watchful eye, and thus
Cry—'Holy, holy, holy God, have mercy upon us.'

3 That day, the day of fear, shall come; my soul, slack not thy toil,
But light thy lamp, and feed it well, and make it bright with oil;
Who knowest not how soon may sound the cry at eventide,
'Behold, the Bridegroom comes! Arise! Go forth to meet the bride.'

4. Beware, my soul; beware, beware, lest thou in slumber lie,
And, like the Five, remain without, and knock, and vainly cry;
But watch, and bear thy lamp undimmed, and Christ shall gird thee on
His own bright wedding-robe of light—the glory of the Son.

4

Anon. (1802), *W. B. Collyer* (1812), *T. Cotterill* (1819), *and others.*

GREAT God, what do I see and hear!
The end of things created:
The Judge of mankind doth appear,
On clouds of glory seated;
The trumpet sounds, the graves restore
The dead which they contained before:
Prepare, my soul, to meet him!

2 The dead in Christ shall first arise
At that last trumpet's sounding,
Caught up to meet him in the skies,
With joy their Lord surrounding;

No gloomy fears their souls dismay;
His presence sheds eternal day
On those prepared to meet him.

3 The ungodly, filled with guilty fears,
Behold his wrath prevailing;
For they shall rise, and find their tears
And sighs are unavailing:
The day of grace is past and gone;
Trembling they stand before his throne,
All unprepared to meet him.

4. Great Judge, to thee our prayers we pour,
In deep abasement bending;
O shield us through that last dread hour,
Thy wondrous love extending.
May we, in this our trial day,
With faithful hearts thy word obey,
And thus prepare to meet thee.

5

6th cent. Tr. E. Caswall †.

Vox clara ecce intonat.

HARK! a herald voice is calling:
'Christ is nigh,' it seems to say;
'Cast away the dreams of darkness,
O ye children of the day!'

2 Startled at the solemn warning,
Let the earth-bound soul arise;
Christ, her Sun, all sloth dispelling,
Shines upon the morning skies.

3 Lo! the Lamb, so long expected,
Comes with pardon down from heaven;
Let us haste, with tears of sorrow,
One and all to be forgiven;

4 So when next he comes with glory,
Wrapping all the earth in fear,
May he then as our defender
On the clouds of heaven appear.

5. Honour, glory, virtue, merit,
To the Father and the Son,
With the co-eternal Spirit,
While unending ages run. Amen.

6 *P. Doddridge*, 1702-51.

HARK the glad sound! the Saviour comes,
The Saviour promised long!
Let every heart prepare a throne,
And every voice a song.

2 He comes the prisoners to release
In Satan's bondage held;
The gates of brass before him burst,
The iron fetters yield.

3 He comes the broken heart to bind,
The bleeding soul to cure,
And with the treasures of his grace
To enrich the humble poor.

4. Our glad hosannas, Prince of peace,
Thy welcome shall proclaim;
And heaven's eternal arches ring
With thy belovèd name.

7 *C. Wesley* (1758), *and J. Cennick* (1750).

LO! he comes with clouds descending,
Once for favoured sinners slain;
Thousand thousand Saints attending
Swell the triumph of his train:
Alleluya!
God appears, on earth to reign.

2 Every eye shall now behold him
Robed in dreadful majesty;
Those who set at nought and sold him,
Pierced and nailed him to the tree,
Deeply wailing
Shall the true Messiah see.

3 Those dear tokens of his passion
Still his dazzling body bears,
Cause of endless exultation
To his ransomed worshippers:
With what rapture
Gaze we on those glorious scars!

4. Yea, amen! let all adore thee,
High on thine eternal throne;
Saviour, take the power and glory:
Claim the kingdom for thine own:
O come quickly!
Alleluya! Come, Lord, come!

8

18th cent. Tr. T. A. L.

Veni, veni, Emmanuel.

O COME, O come, Emmanuel!
Redeem thy captive Israel,
That into exile drear is gone
Far from the face of God's dear Son.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

2 O come, thou Branch of Jesse! draw
The quarry from the lion's claw;
From the dread caverns of the grave,
From nether hell, thy people save.

3 O come, O come, thou Dayspring bright!
Pour on our souls thy healing light;
Dispel the long night's lingering gloom,
And pierce the shadows of the tomb.

4 O come, thou Lord of David's Key!
The royal door fling wide and free;
Safeguard for us the heavenward road,
And bar the way to death's abode.

5. O come, O come, Adonaï,
Who in thy glorious majesty
From that high mountain clothed with awe
Gavest thy folk the elder law.

9 *C. Coffin*, 1676–1749. *Tr. J. Chandler.*

Jordanis oras praevia.

ON Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
Announces that the Lord is nigh;
Come then and hearken, for he brings
Glad tidings from the King of kings.

2 Then cleansed be every Christian breast,
And furnished for so great a guest!
Yea, let us each our hearts prepare
For Christ to come and enter there.

3 For thou art our salvation, Lord,
Our refuge and our great reward;
Without thy grace our souls must fade,
And wither like a flower decayed.

4 Stretch forth thine hand, to heal our sore,
And make us rise to fall no more;
Once more upon thy people shine,
And fill the world with love divine.

5. All praise, eternal Son, to thee
Whose advent sets thy people free,
Whom, with the Father, we adore,
And Holy Ghost, for evermore. Amen.

10 *Sequence.* *Before* 11*th cent. Tr. M. J. Blacker* ‡.

Salus aeterna.

SAVIOUR eternal!
Health and life of the world unfailing,

2 Light everlasting!
And in verity our redemption,

3 Grieving that the ages of men must perish
Through the tempter's subtlety,

4 Still in heaven abiding, thou camest earthward
Of thine own great clemency:

5 Then freely and graciously
Deigning to assume humanity,

6 To lost ones and perishing
Gavest thou thy free deliverance,
Filling all the world with joy.

7 O Christ, our souls and bodies cleanse
By thy perfect sacrifice ;

8 That we as temples pure and bright
Fit for thine abode may be.

9 By thy former advent justify,

10 By thy second grant us liberty :

11 That when in the might of glory
Thou descendest, Judge of all,

12. We in raiment undefilèd,
Bright may shine, and ever follow,
Lord, thy footsteps blest, where'er they lead us.

11

C. Coffin, 1676–1749. *Tr. H. P.*

Instantis adventum Dei.

THE advent of our God
With eager prayers we greet,
And singing haste upon his road
His glorious gift to meet.

2 The everlasting Son
Scorns not a Virgin's womb ;
That we from bondage may be won
He bears a bondman's doom.

3 Daughter of Sion, rise
To meet thy lowly King ;
Let not thy stubborn heart despise
The peace he deigns to bring.

4 In clouds of awful light
As Judge he comes again,
His scattered people to unite,
With them in heaven to reign.

5 Let evil flee away
Ere that dread hour shall dawn,
Let this old Adam day by day
God's image still put on.

6. Praise to the Incarnate Son,
Who comes to set us free,
With God the Father, ever one,
To all eternity. Amen.

12

P. Nicolai, 1556-1608. *Tr. F. C. B.*

Wachet auf.

WAKE, O wake! with tidings thrilling
The watchmen all the air are filling,
Arise, Jerusalem, arise!
Midnight strikes! no more delaying,
'The hour has come!' we hear them saying.
Where are ye all, ye virgins wise?
The Bridegroom comes in sight,
Raise high your torches bright!
Alleluya!
The wedding song
Swells loud and strong:
Go forth and join the festal throng.

2 Sion hears the watchmen shouting,
Her heart leaps up with joy undoubting,
She stands and waits with eager eyes;
See her Friend from heaven descending,
Adorned with truth and grace unending!
Her light burns clear, her star doth rise.
Now come, thou precious Crown,
Lord Jesu, God's own Son!
Hosanna!
Let us prepare
To follow there,
Where in thy supper we may share.

3. Every soul in thee rejoices ;
From men and from angelic voices
Be glory given to thee alone !
Now the gates of pearl receive us,
Thy presence never more shall leave us,
We stand with Angels round thy throne.
Earth cannot give below
The bliss thou dost bestow.
Alleluya!
Grant us to raise,
To length of days,
The triumph-chorus of thy praise.

13

J. Anstice, 1808–36.

WHEN came in flesh the incarnate Word,
The heedless world slept on,
And only simple shepherds heard
That God had sent his Son.

2 When comes the Saviour at the last,
From east to west shall shine
The awful pomp, and earth aghast
Shall tremble at the sign.

3 Then shall the pure of heart be blest ;
As mild he comes to them,
As when upon the Virgin's breast
He lay at Bethlehem :

4 As mild to meek-eyed love and faith,
Only more strong to save ;
Strengthened by having bowed to death,
By having burst the grave.

5 Lord, who could dare see thee descend
In state, unless he knew
Thou art the sorrowing sinner's friend,
The gracious and the true ?

6. Dwell in our hearts, O Saviour blest;
So shall thine advent's dawn
'Twixt us and thee, our bosom-guest,
Be but the veil withdrawn.

The following are also suitable:

374 Christian, seek not yet repose.
404 How shall I sing.
420 Jesus shall reign.
462 O quickly come, dread judge of all.
492 The Lord will come and not be slow.
495 The world is very evil.
504 Thy kingdom come! on bended knee.
518 Ye servants of the Lord.
553 Thou whose almighty Word.
734 The Advent Antiphons.
735 Drop down, ye heavens.

CHRISTMAS EVE.

14 OFFICE HYMN. E. *St. Ambrose*, 340–97.
Tr. J. M. Neale and others.

Veni, Redemptor gentium.

COME, thou Redeemer of the earth,
And manifest thy virgin-birth:
Let every age adoring fall;
Such birth befits the God of all.

2 Begotten of no human will,
But of the Spirit, thou art still
The Word of God in flesh arrayed,
The promised fruit to man displayed.

3 The virgin womb that burden gained
With virgin honour all unstained;
The banners there of virtue glow;
God in his temple dwells below.

4 Forth from his chamber goeth he,
That royal home of purity,
A giant in twofold substance one,
Rejoicing now his course to run.

5 From God the Father he proceeds,
To God the Father back he speeds;
His course he runs to death and hell,
Returning on God's throne to dwell.

6 O equal to thy Father, thou!
Gird on thy fleshly mantle now;
The weakness of our mortal state
With deathless might invigorate.

7 Thy cradle here shall glitter bright,
And darkness breathe a newer light,
Where endless faith shall shine serene,
And twilight never intervene.

8. All laud to God the Father be,
All praise, eternal Son, to thee:
All glory, as is ever meet,
To God the holy Paraclete. Amen.

15 *Suitable till Candlemas.* *Bishop Phillips Brooks*, 1835–93.

O LITTLE town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting light;
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee to-night.

2 O morning stars, together
Proclaim the holy birth,
And praises sing to God the King,
And peace to men on earth;

For Christ is born of Mary;
And, gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love.

3 How silently, how silently,
The wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of his heaven.
No ear may hear his coming;
But in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive him, still
The dear Christ enters in.

4 Where children pure and happy
Pray to the blessèd Child,
Where misery cries out to thee,
Son of the mother mild;
Where charity stands watching
And faith holds wide the door,
The dark night wakes, the glory breaks,
And Christmas comes once more.

5. O holy Child of Bethlehem,
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in,
Be born in us to-day.
We hear the Christmas Angels
The great glad tidings tell:
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Emmanuel.

16 *Suitable till Candlemas.* *Laurence Housman.*

THE Maker of the sun and moon,
The Maker of our earth,
Lo! late in time, a fairer boon,
Himself is brought to birth!

2 How blest was all creation then,
When God so gave increase ;
And Christ, to heal the hearts of men,
Brought righteousness and peace !

3 No star in all the heights of heaven
But burned to see him go ;
Yet unto earth alone was given
His human form to know.

4 His human form, by man denied,
Took death for human sin :
His endless love, through faith descried,
Still lives the world to win.

5. O perfect Love, outpassing sight,
O Light beyond our ken,
Come down through all the world to-night,
And heal the hearts of men !

CHRISTMAS.

See also : 613 Of the Father's heart begotten.
614 O come all ye faithful (*in full*).

17 OFFICE HYMN. M. *6th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Christe Redemptor omnium.

JESU, the Father's only Son,
Whose death for all redemption won ;
Before the worlds, of God most high
Begotten all ineffably :

2 The Father's light and splendour thou,
Their endless hope to thee that bow ;
Accept the prayers and praise to-day
That through the world thy servants pay.

3 Salvation's author, call to mind
How, taking form of humankind,
Born of a Virgin undefiled,
Thou in man's flesh becam'st a child.

4 Thus testifies the present day,
Through every year in long array,
That thou, salvation's source alone,
Proceededst from the Father's throne.

5 Whence sky, and stars, and sea's abyss,
And earth, and all that therein is,
Shall still, with laud and carol meet,
The Author of thine advent greet.

6 And we who, by thy precious blood
From sin redeemed, are marked for God,
On this the day that saw thy birth,
Sing the new song of ransomed earth :

7. For that thine advent glory be,
O Jesu, virgin-born, to thee ;
With Father, and with Holy Ghost,
From men and from the heavenly host. Amen.

18 Office Hymn. M., E.

Coelius Sedulius, c. 450.
Tr. J. Ellerton.

A solis ortus cardine.

FROM east to west, from shore to shore,
Let every heart awake and sing
The holy Child whom Mary bore,
The Christ, the everlasting King.

2 Behold, the world's Creator wears
The form and fashion of a slave ;
Our very flesh our Maker shares,
His fallen creature, man, to save.

3 For this how wondrously he wrought !
A maiden, in her lowly place,
Became in ways beyond all thought,
The chosen vessel of his grace.

4 She bowed her to the Angel's word
Declaring what the Father willed,
And suddenly the promised Lord
That pure and hallowed temple filled.

5 He shrank not from the oxen's stall,
He lay within the manger-bed,
And he, whose bounty feedeth all,
At Mary's breast himself was fed.

6 And while the Angels in the sky
Sang praise above the silent field,
To shepherds poor the Lord most high,
The one great Shepherd, was revealed.

7. All glory for this blessèd morn
To God the Father ever be;
All praise to thee, O Virgin-born,
All praise, O Holy Ghost, to thee. Amen.

19 *Suitable till Candlemas.* *St. Germanus*, 634–734.
Tr. J. M. Neale †.

Μέγα καὶ παράδοξον θαῦμα.

A GREAT and mighty wonder,
A full and holy cure!
The Virgin bears the Infant
With virgin-honour pure.

Repeat the hymn again!
'To God on high be glory,
And peace on earth to men!'

2 The Word becomes incarnate
And yet remains on high!
And Cherubim sing anthems
To shepherds from the sky.

3 While thus they sing your Monarch,
Those bright angelic bands,
Rejoice, ye vales and mountains,
Ye oceans clap your hands.

4 Since all he comes to ransom,
By all be he adored,
The Infant born in Bethl'em,
The Saviour and the Lord.

5. And idol forms shall perish,
And error shall decay,
And Christ shall wield his sceptre,
Our Lord and God for ay.

20 *Suitable till Candlemas.* *T. Pestel*, 1584–1659.

BEHOLD the great Creator makes
Himself a house of clay,
A robe of Virgin flesh he takes
Which he will wear for ay.

2 Hark, hark, the wise eternal Word,
Like a weak infant cries!
In form of servant is the Lord,
And God in cradle lies.

3 This wonder struck the world amazed,
It shook the starry frame;
Squadrons of spirits stood and gazed,
Then down in troops they came.

4 Glad shepherds ran to view this sight;
A choir of Angels sings,
And eastern sages with delight
Adore this King of kings.

5. Join then, all hearts that are not stone,
And all our voices prove,
To celebrate this holy One
The God of peace and love.

21 *John Byrom*, 1690–1763.

CHRISTIANS, awake, salute the happy morn,
Whereon the Saviour of the world was born;
Rise to adore the mystery of love,
Which hosts of Angels chanted from above;
With them the joyful tidings first begun
Of God incarnate and the Virgin's Son:

2 Then to the watchful shepherds it was told,
Who heard the angelic herald's voice, 'Behold,
I bring good tidings of a Saviour's birth
To you and all the nations upon earth;
This day hath God fulfilled his promised word,
This day is born a Saviour, Christ the Lord.'

3 He spake; and straightway the celestial choir
In hymns of joy, unknown before, conspire.
The praises of redeeming love they sang,
And heaven's whole orb with Alleluyas rang:
God's highest glory was their anthem still,
Peace upon earth, and mutual goodwill.

4 To Bethlehem straight the enlightened shepherds ran,
To see the wonder God had wrought for man,
And found, with Joseph and the blessèd Maid,
Her Son, the Saviour, in a manger laid;
Amazed the wondrous story they proclaim,
The first apostles of his infant fame.

5.* Like Mary let us ponder in our mind
God's wondrous love in saving lost mankind;
Trace we the Babe, who hath retrieved our loss,
From his poor manger to his bitter cross;
Then may we hope, the angelic thrones among,
To sing, redeemed, a glad triumphal song.

22

Christmas Sequence, and Office Hymn for Candlemas.
c. 11th cent. Tr. cento.

Laetabundus.

COME rejoicing,
Faithful men, with rapture singing
Alleluya!

2 Monarch's Monarch,
From a holy maiden springing,
Mighty wonder!

3 Angel of the Counsel here,
Sun from star, he doth appear,
Born of maiden :

4 He a sun who knows no night,
She a star whose paler light
Fadeth never.

5 As a star its kindred ray,
Mary doth her Child display,
Like in nature ;

6 Still undimmed the star shines on,
And the maiden bears a Son,
Pure as ever.

7 Lebanon his cedar tall
To the hyssop on the wall
Lowly bendeth ;

8 From the highest, him we name
Word of God, to human frame
Now descendeth.

9 Yet the synagogue denied
What Esaias had descried :
Blindness fell upon the guide,
Proud, unheeding.

10 If her prophets speak in vain,
Let her heed a Gentile strain,
And, from mystic Sibyl, gain
Light and leading.

11 No longer then delay,
Hear what the Scriptures say,
Why be cast away
A race forlorn?

12. Turn and this Child behold,
That very Son, of old
In God's writ foretold,
A maid hath borne.

23 *C. Wesley*, 1707-88.

HARK, how all the welkin rings!
'Glory to the King of kings,
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled.'

2 Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
Universal nature say
'Christ the Lord is born to-day.

3 Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
Late in time behold him come
Offspring of a Virgin's womb.

4 Veiled in flesh, the Godhead see!
Hail the incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with men to appear
Jesus, our Emmanuel here!

5 Hail the heavenly Prince of peace!
Hail the Sun of righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
Risen with healing in his wings.

6 Mild he lays his glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth!

7 Come, Desire of nations, come,
Fix in us thy humble home;
Rise, the woman's conquering Seed,
Bruise in us the serpent's head.

8. Now display thy saving power,
Ruined nature now restore,
Now in mystic union join
Thine to ours, and ours to thine.

24 *C. Wesley* (1743), *G. Whitefield* (1753), *M. Madan* (1760), *and others.*

HARK! the herald Angels sing
Glory to the new-born King;
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled:
Joyful all ye nations rise,
Join the triumph of the skies,
With the angelic host proclaim,
Christ is born in Bethlehem.

Hark! the herald Angels sing
Glory to the new-born King.

2 Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
Late in time behold him come
Offspring of a Virgin's womb!
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,
Hail the incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.

3. Hail the heaven-born Prince of peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
Risen with healing in his wings;
Mild he lays his glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.

25 *Christina G. Rossetti*, 1830–94.

IN the bleak mid-winter
Frosty wind made moan,
Earth stood hard as iron,
Water like a stone;

Snow had fallen, snow on snow,
  Snow on snow,
In the bleak mid-winter,
  Long ago.

2 Our God, heaven cannot hold him
  Nor earth sustain ;
Heaven and earth shall flee away
  When he comes to reign :
In the bleak mid-winter
  A stable-place sufficed
The Lord God Almighty
  Jesus Christ.

3 Enough for him, whom Cherubim
  Worship night and day,
A breastful of milk,
  And a mangerful of hay ;
Enough for him, whom Angels
  Fall down before,
The ox and ass and camel
  Which adore.

4 Angels and Archangels
  May have gathered there,
Cherubim and Seraphim
  Thronged the air—
But only his mother
  In her maiden bliss
Worshipped the Belovèd
  With a kiss.

5. What can I give him
  Poor as I am ?
If I were a shepherd
  I would bring a lamb ;
If I were a wise man
  I would do my part ;
Yet what I can I give him—
  Give my heart.

26 *Other occasions also.* *E. H. Sears*, 1810-76.

IT came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
From Angels bending near the earth
To touch their harps of gold:
'Peace on the earth, good-will to men,
From heaven's all-gracious King!'
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the Angels sing.

2 Still through the cloven skies they come,
With peaceful wings unfurled;
And still their heavenly music floats
O'er all the weary world;
Above its sad and lowly plains
They bend on hovering wing;
And ever o'er its Babel sounds
The blessèd Angels sing.

3 Yet with the woes of sin and strife
The world has suffered long;
Beneath the Angel-strain have rolled
Two thousand years of wrong;
And man, at war with man, hears not
The love-song which they bring:
O hush the noise, ye men of strife,
And hear the Angels sing!

4* And ye, beneath life's crushing load,
Whose forms are bending low,
Who toil along the climbing way
With painful steps and slow,
Look now! for glad and golden hours
Come swiftly on the wing;
O rest beside the weary road,
And hear the Angels sing!

5. For lo! the days are hastening on,
By prophet-bards foretold,
When, with the ever-circling years,
Comes round the age of gold;
When peace shall over all the earth
Its ancient splendours fling,
And the whole world give back the song
Which now the Angels sing.

27

C. Coffin, 1676–1749. *Tr. W. J. Blew.*

Jam desinant suspiria.

LET sighing cease and woe,
God from on high hath heard,
Heaven's gate is opening wide, and lo!
The long-expected Word.

2 Peace! through the deep of night
The heavenly choir breaks forth,
Singing, with festal songs and bright,
Our God and Saviour's birth.

3 The cave of Bethlehem
Those wakeful shepherds seek:
Let us too rise and greet with them
That infant pure and meek.

4 We enter—at the door
What marvel meets the eye?
A crib, a mother pale and poor,
A child of poverty.

5 Art thou the eternal Son,
The eternal Father's ray?
Whose little hand, thou infant one,
Doth lift the world alway?

6 Yea—faith through that dim cloud,
Like lightning, darts before,
And greets thee, at whose footstool bowed
Heaven's trembling hosts adore.

7 Chaste be our love like thine,
Our swelling souls bring low,
And in our hearts, O Babe divine,
Be born, abide, and grow.

8. So shall thy birthday morn,
Lord Christ, our birthday be,
Then greet we all, ourselves new-born,
Our King's nativity.

28

18th cent. Tr. F. Oakeley ‡, 1802–80.
[*For the Complete Version, see* No. 614.]

Adeste, fideles.

O COME, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold him,
Born the King of Angels:
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

2 God of God,
Light of Light,
Lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb;
Very God,
Begotten not created:

3 Sing, choirs of Angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above,
Glory to God
In the highest:

4. Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
Born this happy morning,
Jesu, to thee be glory given;
Word of the Father,
Now in flesh appearing:

29 *Suitable till Candlemas.* *H. R. Bramley*, 1833-1917.

THE great God of heaven is come down to earth,
His mother a Virgin, and sinless his birth;
The Father eternal his Father alone:
He sleeps in the manger; he reigns on the throne:
Then let us adore him, and praise his great love:
To save us poor sinners he came from above.

2 A Babe on the breast of a Maiden he lies,
Yet sits with the Father on high in the skies;
Before him their faces the Seraphim hide,
While Joseph stands waiting, unscared, by his side:

3 Lo! here is Emmanuel, here is the Child,
The Son that was promised to Mary so mild;
Whose power and dominion shall ever increase,
The Prince that shall rule o'er a kingdom of peace:

4 The Wonderful Counsellor, boundless in might,
The Father's own image, the beam of his light;
Behold him now wearing the likeness of man,
Weak, helpless, and speechless, in measure a span:

5 O wonder of wonders, which none can unfold:
The Ancient of days is an hour or two old;
The Maker of all things is made of the earth,
Man is worshipped by Angels, and God comes to birth:

6. The Word in the bliss of the Godhead remains,
Yet in flesh comes to suffer the keenest of pains;
He is that he was, and for ever shall be,
But becomes that he was not, for you and for me.

30

Nahum Tate, 1652–1715.

WHILE shepherds watched their flocks by night,
All seated on the ground,
The Angel of the Lord came down,
And glory shone around.

2 'Fear not,' said he (for mighty dread
Had seized their troubled mind);
'Glad tidings of great joy I bring
To you and all mankind.

3 'To you in David's town this day
Is born of David's line
A Saviour, who is Christ the Lord;
And this shall be the sign:

4 'The heavenly Babe you there shall find
To human view displayed,
All meanly wrapped in swathing bands,
And in a manger laid.'

5 Thus spake the Seraph; and forthwith
Appeared a shining throng
Of Angels praising God, who thus
Addressed their joyful song:

6. 'All glory be to God on high,
And to the earth be peace;
Good-will henceforth from heaven to men
Begin and never cease.'

ST. STEPHEN.

31

OFFICE HYMN. M *and* E.

10th–16th cent.
Tr. J. M. Neale.

Sancte Dei pretiose.

SAINT of God, elect and precious,
Protomartyr Stephen, bright
With thy love of amplest measure,
Shining round thee like a light;
Who to God commendedst, dying,
Them that did thee all despite:

2 Glitters now the crown above thee,
Figured in thy sacred name:
O that we, who truly love thee,
May have portion in the same;
In the dreadful day of judgement
Fearing neither sin nor shame.

3. Laud to God, and might, and honour,
Who with flowers of rosy dye
Crowned thy forehead, and hath placed thee
In the starry throne on high:
He direct us, he protect us
From death's sting eternally. Amen.

32

Anatolius, c. 800. *Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Τῷ Βασιλεῖ καὶ Δεσπότῃ.

THE Lord and King of all things
But yesterday was born;
And Stephen's glorious offering
His birth-tide shall adorn:
No pearls of orient splendour,
No jewels can he show;
But with his own true heart's blood
His shining vestments glow.

2 Come, ye that love the Martyrs,
And pluck the flowers of song,
And weave them in a garland
For this our suppliant throng;
And cry, 'O thou that shinest
In grace's brightest ray,
Christ's valiant Protomartyr,
For peace and favour pray!'

3. Thou first of all confessors,
Of all the deacons crown,
Of every following athlete
The glory and renown:

Make supplication, standing
Before Christ's royal throne,
That he would give the kingdom,
And for our sins atone!

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST.

33 (*Office Hymns*, 174–6.) *J. Keble*, 1792–1866.

WORD supreme, before creation
Born of God eternally,
Who didst will for our salvation
To be born on earth, and die;
Well thy Saints have kept their station,
Watching till thine hour drew nigh.

2 Now 'tis come, and faith espies thee;
Like an eaglet in the morn,
One in steadfast worship eyes thee,
Thy beloved, thy latest born:
In thy glory he descries thee
Reigning from the tree of scorn.

3* He first hoping and believing
Did beside the grave adore;
Latest he, the warfare leaving,
Landed on the eternal shore;
And his witness we receiving
Own thee Lord for evermore.

4* Much he asked in loving wonder,
On thy bosom leaning, Lord!
In that secret place of thunder,
Answer kind didst thou accord,
Wisdom for thy Church to ponder
Till the day of dread award.

5 Lo! heaven's doors lift up, revealing
How thy judgements earthward move;
Scrolls unfolded, trumpets pealing,
Wine-cups from the wrath above,
Yet o'er all a soft voice stealing—
'Little children, trust and love!'

6. Thee, the Almighty King eternal,
Father of the eternal Word;
Thee, the Father's Word supernal,
Thee, of both, the Breath adored;
Heaven, and earth, and realms infernal
Own, one glorious God and Lord. Amen.

THE INNOCENTS' DAY.

34 (*Office Hymns*, 182, 183.) *Prudentius, b.* 348. *Tr. A. R.*

Salvete, flores martyrum.

ALL hail, ye little Martyr flowers,
Sweet rosebuds cut in dawning hours!
When Herod sought the Christ to find
Ye fell as bloom before the wind.

2 First victims of the Martyr bands,
With crowns and palms in tender hands,
Around the very altar, gay
And innocent, ye seem to play.

3 What profited this great offence?
What use was Herod's violence?
A Babe survives that dreadful day,
And Christ is safely borne away.

4. All honour, laud, and glory be,
O Jesu, virgin-born, to thee;
All glory, as is ever meet
To Father and to Paraclete. Amen.

35 *The Venerable Bede*, 673–735. *Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Hymnum canentes martyrum.

THE hymn for conquering Martyrs raise,
The victor Innocents we praise,
Whom in their woe earth cast away,
But heaven with joy received to-day;
Whose Angels see the Father's face
World without end, and hymn his grace;
And, while they chant unceasing lays,
The hymn for conquering Martyrs raise.

2 A voice from Ramah was there sent,
A voice of weeping and lament,
When Rachel mourned the children's care
Whom for the tyrant's sword she bare.
Triumphal is their glory now,
Whom earthly torments could not bow,
What time, both far and near that went,
A voice from Ramah was there sent.

3* Fear not, O little flock and blest,
The lion that your life opprest!
To heavenly pastures ever new
The heavenly Shepherd leadeth you;
Who, dwelling now on Sion's hill,
The Lamb's dear footsteps follow still;
By tyrant there no more distrest,
Fear not, O little flock and blest.

4* And every tear is wiped away
By your dear Father's hands for ay:
Death hath no power to hurt you more,
Whose own is life's eternal store.
Who sow their seed, and sowing weep,
In everlasting joy shall reap,
What time they shine in heavenly day,
And every tear is wiped away.

5. O city blest o'er all the earth,
Who gloriest in the Saviour's birth,
Whose are his earliest Martyrs dear,
By kindred and by triumph here;
None from henceforth may call thee small,
Of rival towns thou passest all:
In whom our Monarch had his birth,
O city blest o'er all the earth!

The following is also suitable: **611** When Christ was born.

THE CIRCUMCISION OF CHRIST.

36 (*Office Hymns, E. M.* 18, *M.* 17.) *S. Besnault, d.* 1724.
Tr. J. Chandler.

Felix dies quem proprio.

O HAPPY day, when first was poured
The blood of our redeeming Lord!
O happy day, when first began
His sufferings for sinful man!

2 Just entered on this world of woe,
His blood already learned to flow;
His future death was thus expressed,
And thus his early love confessed.

3 From heaven descending to fulfil
The mandates of his Father's will,
E'en now behold the victim lie,
The Lamb of God, prepared to die!

4 Lord, circumcise our hearts, we pray,
Our fleshly natures purge away;
Thy name, thy likeness may they bear:
Yea, stamp thy holy image there!

5. O Lord, the virgin-born, to thee
Eternal praise and glory be,
Whom with the Father we adore,
And Holy Ghost for evermore. Amen.

37 *c.* 1736. *Tr. J. Chandler* †.

Victis sibi cognomina.

CONQUERING kings their titles take
From the lands they captive make:
Jesu, thine was given thee
For a world thou madest free.

2 Not another name is given
Power possessing under heaven,
Strong to call dead souls to rise
And exalt them to the skies.

3 That which Christ so hardly wrought,
That which he so dearly bought,
That salvation, mortals, say,
Will ye madly cast away?

4 Rather gladly for that name
Bear the Cross, endure the shame;
Joyfully for him to die
Is not death but victory.

5 Jesu, if thou condescend
To be called the sinner's Friend,
Ours the joy and glory be
Thus to make our boast of thee.

6. Glory to the Father be,
Glory, Virgin-born, to thee,
Glory to the Holy Ghost,
Ever from the heavenly host. Amen.

For the New-Year's Day hymns, see 285, 286.

THE EPIPHANY.

See also: 615 From the eastern mountains.
616 Hail, thou Source of every blessing.

38 OFFICE HYMN. E. *and* M. *C. Sedulius*, c. 450.

Hostis Herodes impie. *Tr. Percy Dearmer.*

WHY, impious Herod, shouldst thou fear
Because the Christ is come so near?
He who doth heavenly kingdoms grant
Thine earthly realm can never want.

2 Lo, sages from the East are gone
To where the star hath newly shone:
Led on by light to Light they press,
And by their gifts their God confess.

3 The Lamb of God is manifest
Again in Jordan's water blest,
And he who sin had never known
By washing hath our sins undone.

4 Yet he that ruleth everything
Can change the nature of the spring,
And gives at Cana this for sign—
The water reddens into wine.

5. Then glory, Lord, to thee we pay
For thine Epiphany to-day;
All glory through eternity
To Father, Son, and Spirit be. Amen.

39

W. Chatterton Dix, 1837-93.

As with gladness men of old
Did the guiding star behold,
As with joy they hailed its light,
Leading onward, beaming bright,
So, most gracious God, may we
Evermore be led to thee.

2 As with joyful steps they sped,
To that lowly manger-bed,
There to bend the knee before
Him whom heaven and earth adore,
So may we with willing feet
Ever seek thy mercy-seat.

3 As they offered gifts most rare
At that manger rude and bare,
So may we with holy joy,
Pure, and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to thee our heavenly King.

4 Holy Jesu, every day
Keep us in the narrow way;
And, when earthly things are past,
Bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide,
Where no clouds thy glory hide.

5. In the heavenly country bright
Need they no created light;
Thou its Light, its Joy, its Crown,
Thou its Sun which goes not down:
There for ever may we sing
Alleluyas to our King.

40

Prudentius, b. 348. *Tr. E. Caswall.*

O sola magnarum urbium.

BETHLEHEM, of noblest cities
None can once with thee compare;
Thou alone the Lord from heaven
Didst for us incarnate bear.

2 Fairer than the sun at morning
Was the star that told his birth;
To the lands their God announcing,
Hid beneath a form of earth.

3 By its lambent beauty guided
See the eastern kings appear;
See them bend, their gifts to offer,
Gifts of incense, gold and myrrh.

4 Solemn things of mystic meaning:
Incense doth the God disclose,
Gold a royal child proclaimeth,
Myrrh a future tomb foreshows.

5. Holy Jesu, in thy brightness
To the Gentile world displayed,
With the Father and the Spirit
Endless praise to thee be paid. **Amen.**

41 *Bishop R. Heber*, 1783-1826.

BRIGHTEST and best of the sons of the morning,
Dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid;
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

2 Cold on his cradle the dew-drops are shining,
Low lies his head with the beasts of the stall:
Angels adore him in slumber reclining,
Maker and Monarch and Saviour of all.

3 Say, shall we yield him, in costly devotion,
Odours of Edom and offerings divine?
Gems of the mountain and pearls of the ocean,
Myrrh from the forest or gold from the mine?

4 Vainly we offer each ample oblation,
Vainly with gifts would his favour secure;
Richer by far is the heart's adoration,
Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.

5. Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,
Dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid;
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

42 *Suitable till Septuagesima.* *J. S. B. Monsell*, 1811-75.

O WORSHIP the Lord in the beauty of holiness!
Bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
With gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness,
Kneel and adore him, the Lord is his name!

2 Low at his feet lay thy burden of carefulness,
High on his heart he will bear it for thee,
Comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness,
Guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.

3 Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness
Of the poor wealth thou wouldst reckon as thine:
Truth in its beauty, and love in its tenderness,
These are the offerings to lay on his shrine.

4 These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness,
He will accept for the name that is dear;
Mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,
Trust for our trembling and hope for our fear.

5. O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness!
Bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
With gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness,
Kneel and adore him, the Lord is his name!

43 *Suitable till Septuagesima.* *J. Morison*, 1749–98 (*Scottish Paraphrases*).

THE race that long in darkness pined
Have seen a glorious light;
The people dwell in day, who dwelt
In death's surrounding night.

2 To hail thy rise, thou better Sun,
The gathering nations come,
Joyous as when the reapers bear
The harvest-treasures home.

3 To us a Child of hope is born,
To us a Son is given;
Him shall the tribes of earth obey,
Him all the hosts of heaven.

4 His name shall be the Prince of Peace,
For evermore adored;
The Wonderful, the Counsellor,
The great and mighty Lord.

5. His power increasing still shall spread;
His reign no end shall know:
Justice shall guard his throne above,
And peace abound below.

44 *C. Coffin*, 1676–1749. *Tr. J. Chandler* †.

Quae stella sole pulchrior.

WHAT star is this, with beams so bright,
More lovely than the noonday light?
'Tis sent to announce a new-born King,
Glad tidings of our God to bring.

2 'Tis now fulfilled what God decreed,
'From Jacob shall a star proceed';
And lo! the eastern sages stand,
To read in heaven the Lord's command.

3 While outward signs the star displays,
An inward light the Lord conveys,
And urges them, with force benign,
To seek the giver of the sign.

4 True love can brook no dull delay:
Through toils and dangers lies their way;
And yet their home, their friends, their all,
They leave at once, at God's high call.

5 O, while the star of heavenly grace
Invites us, Lord, to seek thy face,
May we no more that grace repel,
Or quench that light which shines so well!

6. To God the Father, God the Son,
And Holy Spirit, Three in One,
May every tongue and nation raise
An endless song of thankful praise! Amen.

FROM THE EPIPHANY TILL SEPTUAGESIMA

45 *J. Montgomery*, 1771–1854.

HAIL to the Lord's Anointed!
Great David's greater Son;
Hail, in the time appointed,
His reign on earth begun!

He comes to break oppression,
To let the captive free ;
To take away transgression,
And rule in equity.

2 He comes with succour speedy
To those who suffer wrong ;
To help the poor and needy,
And bid the weak be strong ;
To give them songs for sighing,
Their darkness turn to light,
Whose souls, condemned and dying,
Were precious in his sight.

3 He shall come down like showers
Upon the fruitful earth,
And love, joy, hope, like flowers,
Spring in his path to birth :
Before him on the mountains
Shall peace the herald go ;
And righteousness in fountains
From hill to valley flow.

4 * Arabia's desert-ranger
To him shall bow the knee ;
The Ethiopian stranger
His glory come to see ;
With offerings of devotion
Ships from the isles shall meet,
To pour the wealth of ocean
In tribute at his feet.

5 Kings shall fall down before him,
And gold and incense bring ;
All nations shall adore him,
His praise all people sing ;
To him shall prayer unceasing
And daily vows ascend ;
His kingdom still increasing,
A kingdom without end.

6.* O'er every foe victorious,
He on his throne shall rest,
From age to age more glorious,
All-blessing and all-blest:
The tide of time shall never
His covenant remove;
His name shall stand for ever;
That name to us is Love.

46 *J.-B. de Santeüil*, 1630–97. *Tr. J. Chandler.*

Divine, crescebas Puer.

IN stature grows the heavenly Child,
With death before his eyes;
A Lamb unblemished, meek and mild,
Prepared for sacrifice.

2 The Son of God his glory hides
With parents mean and poor;
And he who made the heaven abides
In dwelling-place obscure.

3 Those mighty hands that stay the sky
No earthly toil refuse;
And he who set the stars on high
A humble trade pursues.

4 He before whom the Angels stand,
At whose behest they fly,
Now yields himself to man's command,
And lays his glory by.

5. Jesu, the Virgin's holy Son,
We praise thee and adore,
Who art with God the Father one,
And Spirit evermore. Amen.

47 *Bishop Chr. Wordsworth*, 1807–85.

SONGS of thankfulness and praise,
Jesu, Lord, to thee we raise,
Manifested by the star
To the sages from afar;

Branch of royal David's stem
In thy birth at Bethlehem;
Anthems be to thee addrest,
God in Man made manifest.

2 Manifest at Jordan's stream,
Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;
And at Cana wedding-guest
In thy Godhead manifest;
Manifest in power divine,
Changing water into wine;
Anthems be to thee addrest,
God in Man made manifest.

3 Manifest in making whole
Palsied limbs and fainting soul;
Manifest in valiant fight,
Quelling all the devil's might;
Manifest in gracious will,
Ever bringing good from ill;
Anthems be to thee addrest,
God in Man made manifest.

4* Sun and moon shall darkened be,
Stars shall fall, the heavens shall flee;
Christ will then like lightning shine,
All will see his glorious sign;
All will then the trumpet hear,
All will see the Judge appear;
Thou by all wilt be confest,
God in Man made manifest.

5. Grant us grace to see thee, Lord,
Mirrored in thy holy word;
May we imitate thee now,
And be pure, as pure art thou;
That we like to thee may be
At thy great Epiphany,
And may praise thee, ever blest,
God in Man made manifest.

48 *A. P. Stanley*, 1815-81.

THE Lord is come! On Syrian soil,
The child of poverty and toil;
The Man of Sorrows, born to know
Each varying shade of human woe:
His joy, his glory, to fulfil,
In earth and heaven, his Father's will;
On lonely mount, by festive board,
On bitter Cross, despised, adored.

2 The Lord is come! In him we trace
The fullness of God's truth and grace;
Throughout those words and acts divine
Gleams of the eternal splendour shine;
And from his inmost Spirit flow,
As from a height of sunlit snow,
The rivers of perennial life,
To heal and sweeten Nature's strife.

3. The Lord is come! In every heart
Where truth and mercy claim a part;
In every land where right is might,
And deeds of darkness shun the light;
In every Church where faith and love
Lift earthward thoughts to things above;
In every holy, happy home,
We bless thee, Lord, that thou hast come.

The following are also suitable:—

364 All hail the power of Jesu's name.
380 Come, ye faithful, raise the anthem.
381 Crown him with many crowns.
384 Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round.
395 God of mercy, God of grace.
419 Jesu, the very thought of thee.
420 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun.
423 Judge eternal, throned in splendour.
459 O Love, how deep, how broad, how high.
481 Songs of praise the Angels sang.
514 Who is this so weak and helpless.

49 OFFICE HYMN. *Saturday*, E. *St. Ambrose*, 340–97. *Tr. C. B.*

Deus Creator omnium.

CREATOR of the earth and sky,
Ruling the firmament on high,
Clothing the day with robes of light,
Blessing with gracious sleep the night,

2 That rest may comfort weary men,
And brace to useful toil again,
And soothe awhile the harassed mind,
And sorrow's heavy load unbind:

3 Day sinks; we thank thee for thy gift;
Night comes; and once again we lift
Our prayer and vows and hymns that we
Against all ills may shielded be.

4 Thee let the secret heart acclaim,
Thee let our tuneful voices name,
Round thee our chaste affections cling,
Thee sober reason own as King.

5 That when black darkness closes day,
And shadows thicken round our way,
Faith may no darkness know, and night
From faith's clear beam may borrow light.

6 Rest not, my heaven-born mind and will;
Rest, all ye thoughts and deeds of ill;
May faith its watch unwearied keep,
And cool the dreaming warmth of sleep.

7 From cheats of sense, Lord, keep me free,
And let my heart's depth dream of thee;
Let not my envious foe draw near,
To break my rest with any fear.

8. Pray we the Father and the Son,
And Holy Ghost: O Three in One,
Blest Trinity, whom all obey,
Guard thou thy sheep by night and day. Amen.

50 OFFICE HYMN. *Sunday*, M. *Ascribed to St. Gregory the Great, 6th cent. Tr. Y. H.*

Primo dierum omnium.

THIS day the first of days was made,
When God in light the world arrayed;
Or when his Word arose again,
And, conquering death, gave life to men.

2 Slumber and sloth drive far away;
Earlier arise to greet the day;
And ere its dawn in heaven unfold
The heart's desire to God be told:

3 Unto our prayer that he attend,
His all-creating power extend,
And still renew us, lest we miss
Through earthly stain our heavenly bliss.

4 That us, who here this day repair
To keep the Apostles' time of prayer,
And hymn the quiet hours of morn,
With blessèd gifts he may adorn.

5 For this, Redeemer, thee we pray
That thou wilt wash our sins away,
And of thy loving-kindness grant
Whate'er of good our spirits want:

6 That exiles here awhile in flesh
Some earnest may our souls refresh
Of that pure life for which we long,
Some foretaste of the heavenly song.

7. O Father, that we ask be done,
Through Jesus Christ, thine only Son;
Who, with the Holy Ghost and thee,
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

The Doxology of No. 36 may be used for Nos. 50–62 until Candlemas.

51 OFFICE HYMN. *Sunday*, E. *6th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Lucis Creator optime.

O BLEST Creator of the light,
Who mak'st the day with radiance bright,

And o'er the forming world didst call
The light from chaos first of all;

2 Whose wisdom joined in meet array
The morn and eve, and named them Day:
Night comes with all its darkling fears;
Regard thy people's prayers and tears,

3 Lest, sunk in sin, and whelm'd with strife,
They lose the gift of endless life;
While thinking but the thoughts of time,
They weave new chains of woe and crime.

4 But grant them grace that they may strain
The heavenly gate and prize to gain:
Each harmful lure aside to cast,
And purge away each error past.

5. O Father, that we ask be done,
Through Jesus Christ, thine only Son;
Who, with the Holy Ghost and thee,
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

MONDAY MORNING.

52 OFFICE HYMN. *St. Ambrose*, 340–97.
Tr. V. H.

Splendor paternae gloriae.

O SPLENDOUR of God's glory bright,
O thou that bringest light from light,
O Light of light, light's living spring,
O Day, all days illumining,

2 O thou true Sun, on us thy glance
Let fall in royal radiance,
The Spirit's sanctifying beam
Upon our earthly senses stream.

3 The Father, too, our prayers implore,
Father of glory evermore;
The Father of all grace and might,
To banish sin from our delight:

4 To guide whate'er we nobly do,
With love all envy to subdue,
To make ill-fortune turn to fair,
And give us grace our wrongs to bear.

5 Our mind be in his keeping placed,
Our body true to him and chaste,
Where only faith her fire shall feed,
To burn the tares of Satan's seed.

6 And Christ to us for food shall be,
From him our drink that welleth free,
The Spirit's wine, that maketh whole,
And, mocking not, exalts the soul.

7 Rejoicing may this day go hence,
Like virgin dawn our innocence,
Like fiery noon our faith appear,
Nor know the gloom of twilight drear.

8 Morn in her rosy car is borne;
Let him come forth our perfect morn,
The Word in God the Father one,
The Father perfect in the Son.

9. All laud to God the Father be,
All praise, eternal Son, to thee;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To God the holy Paraclete. Amen.

TUESDAY MORNING.

53 OFFICE HYMN. *Prudentius, b. 348.*
Tr. J. M. Neale.

Ales diei nuntius.

THE wingèd herald of the day
Proclaims the morn's approaching ray:
And Christ the Lord our souls excites,
And so to endless life invites.

2 Take up thy bed, to each he cries,
Who sick or wrapt in slumber lies ;
And chaste and just and sober stand,
And watch : my coming is at hand.

3 With earnest cry, with tearful care,
Call we the Lord to hear our prayer ;
While supplication, pure and deep,
Forbids each chastened heart to sleep.

4 Do thou, O Christ, our slumbers wake ;
Do thou the chains of darkness break ;
Purge thou our former sins away,
And in our souls new light display.

5. All laud to God the Father be,
All praise, eternal Son, to thee ;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To God the holy Paraclete. Amen.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

54 OFFICE HYMN. *Prudentius, b.* 348.
Tr. R. M. P.

Nox et tenebrae et nubila.

YE clouds and darkness, hosts of night,
That breed confusion and affright,
Begone! o'erhead the dawn shines clear,
The light breaks in and Christ is here.

2 Earth's gloom flees broken and dispersed,
By the sun's piercing shafts coerced :
The day-star's eyes rain influence bright,
And colours glimmer back to sight.

3 Thee, Christ, alone we know ; to thee
We bend in pure simplicity ;
Our songs with tears to thee arise ;
Prove thou our hearts with thy clear eyes.

4 Though we be stained with blots within,
Thy quickening rays shall purge our sin;
Light of the Morning Star, thy grace
Shed on us from thy cloudless face.

5. All laud to God the Father be,
All praise, eternal Son, to thee;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To God the holy Paraclete. Amen.

THURSDAY MORNING.

55 OFFICE HYMN. *Prudentius, b. 348. Tr. R. M. P.*

Lux ecce surgit aurea.

LO! golden light rekindles day:
Let paling darkness steal away,
Which all too long o'erwhelmed our gaze
And led our steps by winding ways.

2 We pray thee, rising Light serene,
E'en as thyself our hearts make clean;
Let no deceit our lips defile,
Nor let our souls be vexed by guile.

3 O keep us, as the hours proceed,
From lying word and evil deed;
Our roving eyes from sin set free,
Our body from impurity.

4 For thou dost from above survey
The converse of each fleeting day;
Thou dost foresee from morning light
Our every deed, until the night.

5. All laud to God the Father be,
All praise, eternal Son, to thee;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To God the holy Paraclete. Amen.

FRIDAY MORNING.

56 OFFICE HYMN. *6th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Aeterna caeli gloria.

ETERNAL Glory of the sky,
Blest hope of frail humanity,
The Father's sole-begotten One,
Yet born a spotless Virgin's Son!

2 Uplift us with thine arm of might,
And let our hearts rise pure and bright,
And, ardent in God's praises, pay
The thanks we owe him every day.

3 The day-star's rays are glittering clear,
And tell that day itself is near:
The shadows of the night depart;
Thou, holy Light, illume the heart!

4 Within our senses ever dwell,
And worldly darkness thence expel;
Long as the days of life endure,
Preserve our souls devout and pure.

5 The faith that first must be possest,
Root deep within our inmost breast;
And joyous hope in second place,
Then charity, thy greatest grace.

6. All laud to God the Father be,
All praise, eternal Son, to thee;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To God the holy Paraclete. Amen.

SATURDAY MORNING.

57 OFFICE HYMN. *Before 8th cent. Tr. E. Caswall.*

Aurora jam spargit polum.

THE dawn is sprinkling in the east
Its golden shower, as day flows in;
Fast mount the pointed shafts of light:
Farewell to darkness and to sin!

2 Away, ye midnight phantoms all!
Away, despondence and despair!
Whatever guilt the night has brought
Now let it vanish into air.

3 So, Lord, when that last morning breaks,
Looking to which we sigh and pray,
O may it to thy minstrels prove
The dawning of a better day.

4. To God the Father glory be,
And to his sole-begotten Son;
Glory, O Holy Ghost, to thee
While everlasting ages run. Amen.

MONDAY EVENING.

58 OFFICE HYMN. *c. 6th. cent. Tr. G. G.*

Immense caeli Conditor.

O BOUNDLESS Wisdom, God most high,
O Maker of the earth and sky,
Who bid'st the parted waters flow
In heaven above, on earth below:

2 The streams on earth, the clouds in heaven,
By thee their ordered bounds were given,
Lest 'neath the untempered fires of day
The parchèd soil should waste away.

3 E'en so on us who seek thy face
Pour forth the waters of thy grace;
Renew the fount of life within,
And quench the wasting fires of sin.

4 Let faith discern the eternal Light
Beyond the darkness of the night,
And through the mists of falsehood see
The path of truth revealed by thee.

5. O Father, that we ask be done,
Through Jesus Christ, thine only Son;
Who, with the Holy Ghost and thee,
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

TUESDAY EVENING.

59 OFFICE HYMN. *c. 7th cent. Tr. Anon.* (1854).

Telluris ingens Conditor.

EARTH'S mighty Maker, whose command
Raised from the sea the solid land,
And drove each billowy heap away,
And bade the earth stand firm for ay:

2 That so, with flowers of golden hue,
The seeds of each it might renew;
And fruit-trees bearing fruit might yield—
And pleasant pasture of the field;

3 Our spirit's rankling wounds efface
With dewy freshness of thy grace:
That grief may cleanse each deed of ill,
And o'er each lust may triumph still.

4 Let every soul thy law obey,
And keep from every evil way;
Rejoice each promised good to win,
And flee from every mortal sin.

5. O Father, that we ask be done,
Through Jesus Christ, thine only Son;
Who, with the Holy Ghost and thee,
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

60 OFFICE HYMN. *4th or 5th cent. Tr. M. F. B.*

Caeli Deus sanctissime.

MOST holy Lord and God of heaven,
Who to the glowing sky hast given
The fires that in the east are born
With gradual splendours of the morn;

2 Who, on the fourth day, didst reveal
The sun's enkindled flaming wheel,
Didst set the moon her ordered ways,
And stars their ever-winding maze;

3 That each in its appointed way
Might separate the night from day,
And of the seasons through the year
The well-remembered signs declare:

4 Illuminate our hearts within,
And cleanse our minds from stain of sin;
Unburdened of our guilty load
May we unfettered serve our God.

5. O Father, that we ask be done,
Through Jesus Christ, thine only Son;
Who, with the Holy Ghost and thee,
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

THURSDAY EVENING.

61 OFFICE HYMN. *6th or 7th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale* ‡.

Magnae Deus potentiae.

ALMIGHTY God, who from the flood
Didst bring to light a twofold brood;
Part in the firmament to fly,
And part in ocean's depths to lie;

2 Appointing fishes in the sea,
And fowls in open air to be,
That each, by origin the same,
Its separate dwelling-place might claim:

3 Grant that thy servants, by the tide
Of Blood and water purified,
No guilty fall from thee may know,
Nor death eternal undergo.

4 Be none submerged in sin's distress,
None lifted up in boastfulness;
That contrite hearts be not dismayed,
Nor haughty souls in ruin laid.

5. O Father, that we ask be done,
Through Jesus Christ, thine only Son;
Who, with the Holy Ghost and thee,
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

FRIDAY EVENING.

62 OFFICE HYMN. *c. 7th cent. Tr. J. D. Chambers* ‡.

Plasmator hominis, Deus.

MAKER of man, who from thy throne
Dost order all things, God alone;
By whose decree the teeming earth
To reptile and to beast gave birth:

2 The mighty forms that fill the land,
Instinct with life at thy command,
Are given subdued to humankind
For service in their rank assigned.

3 From all thy servants drive away
Whate'er of thought impure to-day
Hath been with open action blent,
Or mingled with the heart's intent.

4 In heaven thine endless joys bestow,
And grant thy gifts of grace below;
From chains of strife our souls release,
Bind fast the gentle bands of peace.

5. O Father, that we ask be done,
Through Jesus Christ, thine only Son;
Who, with the Holy Ghost and thee,
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

(*Until Candlemas the Doxology of No.* **36** *may be used for Nos.* 50–62.)

THE WEEK BEFORE SEPTUAGESIMA.

63 *Before* 11*th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Alleluya, dulce carmen.

ALLELUYA, song of sweetness,
Voice of joy, eternal lay;
Alleluya is the anthem
Of the choirs in heavenly day,
Which the Angels sing, abiding
In the house of God alway.

2 Alleluya, thou resoundest,
Salem, mother, ever blest;
Alleluyas without ending,
Fit yon place of gladsome rest;
Exiles we, by Babel's waters
Sit in bondage and distrest.

3 Alleluya we deserve not
Here to chant for evermore:
Alleluya our transgressions
Make us for awhile give o'er;
For the holy time is coming,
Bidding us our sins deplore.

4. Trinity of endless glory,
Hear thy people as they cry;
Grant us all to keep thy Easter
In our home beyond the sky;
There to thee our Alleluya
Singing everlastingly. Amen.

64 SEPTUAGESIMA TO LENT.

C. Coffin, 1676–1749. *Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Te laeta, mundi Conditor.

MAKER of earth, to thee alone
Perpetual rest belongs;
And the bright choirs around thy throne
May pour their endless songs.

2 But we—ah, holy now no more!
Are doomed to toil and pain;
Yet exiles on an alien shore
May sing their country's strain.

3 Father, whose promise binds thee still
To heal the suppliant throng,
Grant us to mourn the deeds of ill
That banish us so long;

4 And, while we mourn, in faith to rest
Upon thy love and care,
Till thou restore us with the blest
The song of heaven to share.

5. O God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Holy Ghost,
To thee be praise, great Three in One,
From thy created host. Amen.

The following are also suitable:

459 O Love, how deep, how broad, how high.
470 Praise, my soul, the King.
497 There is a book who runs may read.

LENT.

65 OFFICE HYMN. E. *Till Lent* iii. *c. 6th cent.*
Tr. J. M. Neale.

Ex more docti mystico.

THE fast, as taught by holy lore,
We keep in solemn course once more:
The fast to all men known, and bound
In forty days of yearly round.

2 The law and seers that were of old
In divers ways this Lent foretold,
Which Christ, all seasons' King and guide,
In after ages sanctified.

3 More sparing therefore let us make
The words we speak, the food we take,
Our sleep and mirth,—and closer barred
Be every sense in holy guard.

4 In prayer together let us fall,
And cry for mercy, one and all,
And weep before the Judge's feet,
And his avenging wrath entreat.

5 Thy grace have we offended sore,
By sins, O God, which we deplore;
But pour upon us from on high,
O pardoning One, thy clemency.

6 Remember thou, though frail we be,
That yet thine handiwork are we;
Nor let the honour of thy name
Be by another put to shame.

7 Forgive the sin that we have wrought;
Increase the good that we have sought;
That we at length, our wanderings o'er,
May please thee here and evermore.

8. We pray thee, Holy Trinity,
One God, unchanging Unity,
That we from this our abstinence
May reap the fruits of penitence. Amen.

66 OFFICE HYMN. M. *Till Lent* iii.
Asc. to St. Gregory the Great, 6th cent. Tr. T. A. L.

Audi benigne Conditor.

O KIND Creator, bow thine ear
To mark the cry, to know the tear
Before thy throne of mercy spent
In this thy holy fast of Lent.

2 Our hearts are open, Lord, to thee:
Thou knowest our infirmity;
Pour out on all who seek thy face
Abundance of thy pardoning grace.

3 Our sins are many, this we know;
Spare us, good Lord, thy mercy show;
And for the honour of thy name
Our fainting souls to life reclaim.

4 Give us the self-control that springs
From discipline of outward things,
That fasting inward secretly
The soul may purely dwell with thee.

5. We pray thee, Holy Trinity,
One God, unchanging Unity,
That we from this our abstinence
May reap the fruits of penitence. Amen.

67 OFFICE HYMN. E. *Lent* iii. *till Passion Sunday.*
Before 12*th cent. Tr. T. A. L.*

Ecce tempus idoneum.

NOW is the healing time decreed
For sins of heart, of word or deed,
When we in humble fear record
The wrong that we have done the Lord;

2 Who, alway merciful and good,
Has borne so long our wayward mood,
Nor cut us off unsparingly
In our so great iniquity.

3 Therefore with fasting and with prayer,
Our secret sorrow we declare;
With all good striving seek his face,
And lowly hearted plead for grace.

4 Cleanse us, O Lord, from every stain,
Help us the meed of praise to gain,
Till with the Angels linked in love
Joyful we tread thy courts above.

5. Father and Son and Spirit blest,
To thee be every prayer addrest,
Who art in threefold Name adored,
From age to age, the only Lord. Amen.

68 OFFICE HYMN. M. *Lent* iii. *till Passion Sunday.*
Ascr. to St. Gregory the Great. 6*th cent. Tr. M. F. B.*

Clarum decus jejunii.

THE glory of these forty days
We celebrate with songs of praise;
For Christ, by whom all things were made,
Himself has fasted and has prayed.

2 Alone and fasting Moses saw
The loving God who gave the Law;
And to Elijah, fasting, came
The steeds and chariots of flame.

3 So Daniel trained his mystic sight,
Delivered from the lions' might;
And John, the Bridegroom's friend, became
The herald of Messiah's name.

4 Then grant us, Lord, like them to be
Full oft in fast and prayer with thee;
Our spirits strengthen with thy grace,
And give us joy to see thy face.

5. Father and Son and Spirit blest,
To thee be every prayer addrest,
Who art in threefold Name adored,
From age to age, the only Lord. Amen.

69 Office Hymn. M. *Lent* iii. *till Passion Sunday.* *c. 9th cent. Tr. T. A. L.*

Jesu, quadragenariae.

O JESU Christ, from thee began
This healing for the soul of man,
By fasting sought, by fasting found,
Through forty days of yearly round;

2 That he who fell from high delight,
Borne down to sensual appetite,
By dint of stern control may rise
To climb the hills of Paradise.

3 Therefore behold thy Church, O Lord,
And grace of penitence accord
To all who seek with generous tears
Renewal of their wasted years.

4 Forgive the sin that we have done,
Forgive the course that we have run,
And show henceforth in evil day
Thyself our succour and our stay.

5 But now let every heart prepare,
By sacrifice of fast and prayer,
To keep with joy magnifical
The solemn Easter festival.

6. Father and Son and Spirit blest,
To thee be every prayer addrest,
Who art in threefold Name adored,
From age to age, the only Lord. Amen.

70

J. Heermann, 1585–1647. *Tr. V. H.*

Herzliebster Jesu.

AH, holy Jesu, how hast thou offended,
That man to judge thee hath in hate pretended?
By foes derided, by thine own rejected,
O most afflicted.

2 Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee?
Alas, my treason, Jesu, hath undone thee.
'Twas I, Lord Jesu, I it was denied thee:
I crucified thee.

3 Lo, the good Shepherd for the sheep is offered;
The slave hath sinned, and the Son hath suffered;
For man's atonement, while he nothing heedeth,
God intercedeth.

4 For me, kind Jesu, was thy incarnation,
Thy mortal sorrow, and thy life's oblation;
Thy death of anguish and thy bitter passion,
For my salvation.

5. Therefore, kind Jesu, since I cannot pay thee,
I do adore thee, and will ever pray thee,
Think on thy pity and thy love unswerving,
Not my deserving.

71

18th cent. Tr. E. Caswall‡.

Quicumque certum quaeritis.

ALL ye who seek a comfort sure
In trouble and distress,
Whatever sorrow vex the mind,
Or guilt the soul oppress,

2 Jesus, who gave himself for you
Upon the Cross to die,
Opens to you his sacred Heart;
O to that Heart draw nigh.

3 Ye hear how kindly he invites;
Ye hear his words so blest—
'All ye that labour come to me,
And I will give you rest.'

4 O Jesus, joy of Saints on high,
Thou hope of sinners here,
Attracted by those loving words
To thee I lift my prayer.

5. Wash thou my wounds in that dear Blood
Which forth from thee doth flow;
New grace, new hope inspire, a new
And better heart bestow.

72 *J. M. Neale*, 1818-66. *From the Greek.*

CHRISTIAN, dost thou see them
On the holy ground,
How the troops of Midian
Prowl and prowl around?
Christian, up and smite them,
Counting gain but loss;
Smite them by the merit
Of the holy Cross.

2 Christian, dost thou feel them,
How they work within,
Striving, tempting, luring,
Goading into sin?
Christian, never tremble;
Never be down-cast;
Smite them by the virtue
Of the Lenten fast.

3 Christian, dost thou hear them,
How they speak thee fair?
'Always fast and vigil?
Always watch and prayer?'

Christian, answer boldly,
'While I breathe, I pray:'
Peace shall follow battle,
Night shall end in day.

4. 'Well I know thy trouble,
O my servant true;
Thou art very weary,—
I was weary too;
But that toil shall make thee
Some day all mine own,—
But the end of sorrow
Shall be near my throne.'

73 *G. H. Smyttan*, 1825–70, *and F. Pott.*

FORTY days and forty nights
Thou wast fasting in the wild;
Forty days and forty nights
Tempted, and yet undefiled:

2 Sunbeams scorching all the day;
Chilly dew-drops nightly shed;
Prowling beasts about thy way;
Stones thy pillow, earth thy bed.

3 Shall not we thy watchings share,
And from earthly joys abstain,
Fasting with unceasing prayer,
Glad with thee to suffer pain?

4 And if Satan, vexing sore,
Flesh or spirit should assail,
Thou, his vanquisher before,
Grant we may not faint nor fail.

5 So shall we have peace divine;
Holier gladness ours shall be;
Round us too shall Angels shine,
Such as ministered to thee.

6. Keep, O keep us, Saviour dear,
Ever constant by thy side;
That with thee we may appear
At the eternal Eastertide.

74 *Ps.* 51. *N. Tate and N. Brady.* (*New Version*, 1698.)

HAVE mercy, Lord, on me,
As thou wert ever kind;
Let me, oppress with loads of guilt,
Thy wonted mercy find.

2 Wash off my foul offence,
And cleanse me from my sin;
For I confess my crime, and see
How great my guilt has been.

3 The joy thy favour gives
Let me again obtain,
And thy free Spirit's firm support
My fainting soul sustain.

4. To God the Father, Son,
And Spirit glory be,
As 'twas, and is, and shall be so
To all eternity. Amen.

75 *J. J. Cummins* ‡, 1795–1867.

JESU, Lord of life and glory,
Bend from heaven thy gracious ear;
While our waiting souls adore thee,
Friend of helpless sinners, hear:
By thy mercy,
O deliver us, good Lord.

2* Taught by thine unerring Spirit
Boldly we draw nigh to God,
Only in thy spotless merit,
Only through thy precious Blood:
By thy mercy,
O deliver us, good Lord.

3 From the depth of nature's blindness,
From the hardening power of sin,
From all malice and unkindness,
From the pride that lurks within:
By thy mercy,
O deliver us, good Lord.

4 When temptation sorely presses,
In the day of Satan's power,
In our times of deep distresses,
In each dark and trying hour:
By thy mercy,
O deliver us, good Lord.

5* In the weary hours of sickness,
In the times of grief and pain,
When we feel our mortal weakness,
When the creature's help is vain:
By thy mercy,
O deliver us, good Lord.

6 In the solemn hour of dying,
In the awful judgement day,
May our souls, on thee relying,
Find thee still our rock and stay:
By thy mercy,
O deliver us, good Lord.

7. Jesu, may thy promised blessing
Comfort to our souls afford;
May we now, thy love possessing,
And at length our full reward,
Ever praise thee,
Thee, our ever-glorious Lord.

76 *Isaac Williams* ‡, 1802-65.

LORD, in this thy mercy's day,
Ere it pass for ay away,
On our knees we fall and pray.

2 Holy Jesu, grant us tears,
Fill us with heart-searching fears,
Ere that awful doom appears.

3 Lord, on us thy Spirit pour,
Kneeling lowly at the door,
Ere it close for evermore.

4 By thy night of agony,
By thy supplicating cry,
By thy willingness to die;

5 By thy tears of bitter woe
For Jerusalem below,
Let us not thy love forgo.
6. Grant us 'neath thy wings a place,
Lest we lose this day of grace,
Ere we shall behold thy face.

77

Bp. Synesius, 375–430. *Tr. A. W. Chatfield.*

Μνώεο, Χριστέ.

LORD Jesus, think on me,
And purge away my sin;
From earthborn passions set me free,
And make me pure within.
2 Lord Jesus, think on me,
With care and woe opprest;
Let me thy loving servant be,
And taste thy promised rest.
3 Lord Jesus, think on me,
Amid the battle's strife;
In all my pain and misery
Be thou my health and life.
4 Lord Jesus, think on me,
Nor let me go astray;
Through darkness and perplexity
Point thou the heavenly way.
5 Lord Jesus, think on me,
When flows the tempest high:
When on doth rush the enemy
O Saviour, be thou nigh.
6. Lord Jesus, think on me,
That, when the flood is past,
I may the eternal brightness see,
And share thy joy at last.

78

J. Montgomery, 1771–1854.

LORD, teach us how to pray aright
With reverence and with fear;
Though dust and ashes in thy sight,
We may, we must draw near.

2 We perish if we cease from prayer;
O grant us power to pray;
And when to meet thee we prepare,
Lord, meet us by the way.

3 God of all grace, we come to thee
With broken contrite hearts;
Give, what thine eye delights to see,
Truth in the inward parts;

4 Faith in the only sacrifice
That can for sin atone;
To cast our hopes, to fix our eyes,
On Christ, on Christ alone;

5 Patience to watch, and wait, and weep,
Though mercy long delay;
Courage our fainting souls to keep,
And trust thee though thou slay.

6. Give these, and then thy will be done;
Thus, strengthened with all might,
We, through thy Spirit and thy Son,
Shall pray, and pray aright.

79

J. D. Carlyle, 1758–1804.

LORD, when we bend before thy throne,
And our confessions pour,
Teach us to feel the sins we own,
And hate what we deplore.

2 Our broken spirits pitying see
And penitence impart;
Then let a kindling glance from thee
Beam hope upon the heart.

3 When we disclose our wants in prayer
May we our wills resign,
And not a thought our bosom share
That is not wholly thine,

4. Let faith each meek petition fill,
And waft it to the skies;
And teach our hearts 'tis goodness still
That grants it or denies.

80 *17th cent. Tr. E. Caswall †.*

O Deus, ego amo te.

MY God, I love thee; not because
I hope for heaven thereby,
Nor yet because who love thee not
Are lost eternally.

2 Thou, O my Jesus, thou didst me
Upon the Cross embrace;
For me didst bear the nails and spear,
And manifold disgrace,

3 And griefs and torments numberless,
And sweat of agony;
E'en death itself; and all for one
Who was thine enemy.

4 Then why, O blessèd Jesu Christ,
Should I not love thee well,
Not for the sake of winning heaven,
Or of escaping hell;

5 Not with the hope of gaining aught,
Not seeking a reward;
But as thyself hast lovèd me,
O ever-loving Lord!

6. E'en so I love thee, and will love,
And in thy praise will sing,
Solely because thou art my God,
And my eternal King.

81 *Compline. Before* 800. *Tr. W. J. Copeland and others.*

Christe qui lux es et dies.

O CHRIST, who art the Light and Day,
Thou drivest darksome night away!
We know thee as the Light of light,
Illuminating mortal sight.

2 All-holy Lord, we pray to thee,
Keep us to-night from danger free;
Grant us, dear Lord, in thee to rest,
So be our sleep in quiet blest.

3 And while the eyes soft slumber take,
Still be the heart to thee awake;
Be thy right hand upheld above
Thy servants resting in thy love.

4 Yea, our Defender, be thou nigh
To bid the powers of darkness fly;
Keep us from sin, and guide for good
Thy servants purchased by thy Blood.

5 Remember us, dear Lord, we pray,
While in this mortal flesh we stay:
'Tis thou who dost the soul defend—
Be present with us to the end.

6. Blest Three in One and One in Three,
Almighty God, we pray to thee
That thou wouldst now vouchsafe to bless
Our fast with fruits of righteousness. Amen.

82

C. Wesley, 1707–88.

O FOR a heart to praise my God,
A heart from sin set free;
A heart that always feels thy Blood
So freely spilt for me:

2 A heart resigned, submissive, meek,
My dear Redeemer's throne;
Where only Christ is heard to speak,
Where Jesus reigns alone:

3 A humble, lowly, contrite heart,
Believing, true, and clean,
Which neither life nor death can part
From him that dwells within:

4 A heart in every thought renewed,
And full of love divine;
Perfect, and right, and pure, and good,
A copy, Lord, of thine.

5 My heart, thou know'st, can never rest
Till thou create my peace;
Till of mine Eden repossest,
From self, and sin, I cease.

6. Thy nature, gracious Lord, impart,
Come quickly from above;
Write thy new name upon my heart,
Thy new best name of love.

83

H. H. Milman, 1791-1868.

O HELP us, Lord; each hour of need
Thy heavenly succour give;
Help us in thought, and word, and deed,
Each hour on earth we live.

2 O help us, when our spirits bleed
With contrite anguish sore,
And when our hearts are cold and dead,
O help us, Lord, the more.

3 O help us through the prayer of faith
More firmly to believe;
For still the more the servant hath,
The more shall he receive.

4. O help us, Jesu, from on high,
We know no help but thee;
O help us so to live and die
As thine in heaven to be.

84

J. Marckant (Old Version, 1560).

O LORD, turn not away thy face
From him that lies prostrate,
Lamenting sore his sinful life
Before thy mercy-gate;

2 Which gate thou openest wide to those
That do lament their sin:
Shut not that gate against me, Lord,
But let me enter in.

3 And call me not to mine account
How I have livèd here;
For then I know right well, O Lord,
How vile I shall appear.

4 So come I to thy mercy-gate,
Where mercy doth abound,
Requiring mercy for my sin
To heal my deadly wound.

5. Mercy, good Lord, mercy I ask,
This is the total sum;
For mercy, Lord, is all my suit:
Lord, let thy mercy come.

85 *T. Haweis*, 1732–1820, *and others.*

O THOU from whom all goodness flows,
I lift my heart to thee;
In all my sorrows, conflicts, woes,
Dear Lord, remember me.

2 When on my poor distressèd heart
My sins lie heavily,
Thy pardon grant, new peace impart:
Dear Lord, remember me.

3 When trials sore obstruct my way,
And ills I cannot flee,
O let my strength be as my day:
Dear Lord, remember me.

4 If, for thy sake, upon my name
Shame and reproaches be,
All hail reproach and welcome shame:
Dear Lord, remember me.

5 If worn with pain, disease, or grief
This feeble spirit be;
Grant patience, rest, and kind relief:
Dear Lord, remember me.

6. And O, when in the hour of death
I wait thy just decree,
Be this the prayer of my last breath:
Dear Lord, remember me.

86 *J. W. Hewett and others. Based on* Summi largitor praemii, *c. 6th cent.*

O THOU who dost accord us
The highest prize and guerdon,
Thou hope of all our race,
Jesu, do thou afford us
The gift we ask of pardon
For all who humbly seek thy face.

2 With whispered accusation
Our conscience tells of sinning
In thought, and word, and deed;
Thine is our restoration,
The work of grace beginning
For souls from every burthen freed.

3 For who, if thou reject us,
Shall raise the fainting spirit?
'Tis thine alone to spare:
If thou to life elect us,
With cleansèd hearts to near it,
Shall be our task, our lowly prayer.

4. O Trinity most glorious,
Thy pardon free bestowing,
Defend us evermore;
That in thy courts victorious,
Thy love more truly knowing,
We may with all thy Saints adore.

87 *Sir R. Grant*, 1785–1838.

SAVIOUR, when in dust to thee
Low we bow the adoring knee;
When repentant, to the skies
Scarce we lift our weeping eyes:
O, by all thy pains and woe,
Suffered once for man below,
Bending from thy throne on high,
Hear our solemn Litany.

2 By thy helpless infant years,
By thy life of want and tears,
By thy days of sore distress
In the savage wilderness,
By the dread mysterious hour
Of the insulting tempter's power:
Turn, O turn a favouring eye,
Hear our solemn Litany.

3 By the sacred griefs that wept
O'er the grave where Lazarus slept;
By the boding tears that flowed
Over Salem's loved abode;
By the anguished sigh that told
Treachery lurked within thy fold:
From thy seat above the sky
Hear our solemn Litany.

4 By thine hour of dire despair,
By thine agony of prayer,
By the Cross, the nail, the thorn,
Piercing spear and torturing scorn;
By the gloom that veiled the skies
O'er the dreadful Sacrifice:
Listen to our humble cry,
Hear our solemn Litany.

5. By thy deep expiring groan,
By the sad sepulchral stone,
By the vault whose dark abode
Held in vain the rising God
O! from earth to heaven restored,
Mighty reascended Lord,
Listen, listen to the cry
Of our solemn Litany.

88 *J. S. B. Monsell*, 1811-75.

SINFUL, sighing to be blest;
Bound, and longing to be free;
Weary, waiting for my rest:
God, be merciful to me.

2 Holiness I've none to plead,
Sinfulness in all I see,
I can only bring my need:
God, be merciful to me.

3 Broken heart and downcast eyes
Dare not lift themselves to thee;
Yet thou canst interpret sighs:
God, be merciful to me.

4 From this sinful heart of mine
To thy bosom I would flee;
I am not mine own, but thine:
God, be merciful to me.

5 There is One beside thy throne,
And my only hope and plea
Are in him and him alone:
God, be merciful to me.

6. He my cause will undertake,
My interpreter will be;
He's my all, and for his sake,
God, be merciful to me.

89

Paraphrase of Anima Christi sanctifica me. — *14th cent.* *Anon.* ‡ 1855.

SOUL of Jesus, make me whole,
Meek and contrite make my soul;
Thou most stainless Soul Divine,
Cleanse this sordid soul of mine,
Hallow this my contrite heart,
Purify my every part;
Soul of Jesus, hallow me,
Miserere Domine.

2 Save me, Body of my Lord,
Save a sinner, vile, abhorred;
Sacred Body, wan and worn,
Bruised and mangled, scourged and torn,

Piercèd hands, and feet, and side,
Rent, insulted, crucified:
Save me—to the Cross I flee,
Miserere Domine.

3 Blood of Jesus, stream of life,
Sacred stream with blessings rife,
From thy broken Body shed
On the Cross, that altar dread;
Given to be our drink Divine,
Fill my heart and make it thine;
Blood of Christ, my succour be,
Miserere Domine.

4 Holy Water, stream that poured
From thy riven side, O Lord,
Wash thou me without, within,
Cleanse me from the taint of sin,
Till my soul is clean and white,
Bathed, and purified, and bright
As a ransomed soul should be,
Miserere Domine.

5 Jesu, by the wondrous power
Of thine awful Passion hour,
By the unimagined woe
Mortal man may never know;
By the curse upon thee laid,
By the ransom thou hast paid,
By thy Passion comfort me,
Miserere Domine.

6 Jesu, by thy bitter Death,
By thy last expiring breath,
Give me the eternal life,
Purchased by that mortal strife;
Thou didst suffer death that I
Might not die eternally;
By thy dying quicken me,
Miserere Domine.

7. *Miserere;* let me be
Never parted, Lord, from thee;
Guard me from my ruthless foe,
Save me from eternal woe;
When the hour of death is near,
And my spirit faints for fear,
Call me with thy voice of love,
Place me near to thee above,
With thine Angel host to raise
An undying song of praise,
Miserere Domine.

90

Ps. 86. *Joseph Bryan* (*c.* 1620).

TO my humble supplication,
Lord, give ear and acceptation;
Save thy servant, that hath none
Help nor hope but thee alone.

2 Send, O send, relieving gladness
To my soul opprest with sadness,
Which, from clog of earth set free,
Winged with zeal, flies up to thee;

3 To thee, rich in mercies' treasure,
And in goodness without measure,
Never-failing help to those
Who on thy sure help repose.

4. Heavenly Tutor, of thy kindness,
Teach my dullness, guide my blindness,
That my steps thy paths may tread,
Which to endless bliss do lead.

91

S. J. Stone, 1839–1900.

WEARY of earth and laden with my sin,
I look at heaven and long to enter in;

But there no evil thing may find a home,
And yet I hear a voice that bids me 'Come.'

2 So vile I am, how dare I hope to stand
In the pure glory of that holy land?
Before the whiteness of that throne appear?
Yet there are hands stretched out to draw me near.

3 The while I fain would tread the heavenly way,
Evil is ever with me day by day;
Yet on mine ears the gracious tidings fall,
'Repent, confess, thou shalt be loosed from all.'

4. It is the voice of Jesus that I hear,
His are the hands stretched out to draw me near,
And his the Blood that can for all atone,
And set me faultless there before the throne.

Part 2.

5 O great Absolver, grant my soul may wear
The lowliest garb of penitence and prayer,
That in the Father's courts my glorious dress
May be the garment of thy righteousness.

6 Yea, thou wilt answer for me, righteous Lord;
Thine all the merits, mine the great reward;
Thine the sharp thorns, and mine the golden crown;
Mine the life won, and thine the life laid down.

7. Naught can I bring, dear Lord, for all I owe,
Yet let my full heart what it can bestow;
Like Mary's gift, let my devotion prove,
Forgiven greatly, how I greatly love.

92

J. Addison, 1672–1719.

WHEN, rising from the bed of death,
O'erwhelmed with guilt and fear,
I see my Maker face to face,
O how shall I appear?

2 If yet, while pardon may be found,
And mercy may be sought,
My heart with inward horror shrinks,
And trembles at the thought;

3 When thou, O Lord, shalt stand disclosed
In majesty severe,
And sit in judgement on my soul,
O how shall I appear?

4 But thou hast told the troubled mind
Who does her sins lament,
The timely tribute of her tears
Shall endless woe prevent.

5 Then see the sorrow of my heart,
Ere yet it be too late;
And hear my Saviour's dying groans,
To give those sorrows weight.

6. For never shall my soul despair
Her pardon to procure,
Who knows thine only Son has died
To make her pardon sure.

The following are also suitable, among others:

107 When I survey.
378 Come, O thou Traveller.
385 Father, hear the prayer.
397 Guide me, O thou great.
418 Jesu, name all names.
422 Jesus, where'er thy people.
430 Lighten the darkness.
439 My faith looks up.
456 O Lord, and Master.
474 Prayer is the soul's.
477 Rock of ages.
482 Still will we trust.
483 Strong Son of God.
484 Take up thy cross.
495 The world is very evil.
510 We sing the praise.
515 Wilt thou forgive.
736 Lent Prose.

REFRESHMENT SUNDAY.

93 *Ps.* 23. (*Suitable also for general use.*) *George Herbert*, 1593–1632.

THE God of love my Shepherd is,
And he that doth me feed;
While he is mine and I am his,
What can I want or need?

2 He leads me to the tender grass,
Where I both feed and rest;
Then to the streams that gently pass:
In both I have the best.

3 Or if I stray, he doth convert,
And bring my mind in frame,
And all this not for my desert,
But for his holy name.

4 Yea, in death's shady black abode
Well may I walk, not fear;
For thou art with me, and thy rod
To guide, thy staff to bear.

5. Surely thy sweet and wondrous love
Shall measure all my days;
And as it never shall remove
So neither shall my praise.

PASSIONTIDE.

94 OFFICE HYMN (*in full*). E. *Passion Sunday, and daily till Maundy Thursday.*
1–5 *Bishop Venantius Fortunatus*, 530–609. *Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Vexilla Regis prodeunt.

THE royal banners forward go;
The Cross shines forth in mystic glow;
Where he in flesh, our flesh who made,
Our sentence bore, our ransom paid:

2 Where deep for us the spear was dyed,
Life's torrent rushing from his side
To wash us in that precious flood,
Where mingled Water flowed, and Blood.

Part 2.

3 Fulfilled is all that David told
In true prophetic song of old;
Amidst the nations, God, saith he,
Hath reigned and triumphed from the tree.

4 O Tree of beauty, Tree of light!
O Tree with royal purple dight!
Elect on whose triumphal breast
Those holy limbs should find their rest:

5 On whose dear arms, so widely flung,
The weight of this world's ransom hung:
The price of humankind to pay,
And spoil the spoiler of his prey.

6 O Cross, our one reliance, hail!
So may thy power with us avail
To give new virtue to the saint,
And pardon to the penitent.

7. To thee, eternal Three in One,
Let homage meet by all be done:
Whom by the Cross thou dost restore,
Preserve and govern evermore. Amen.

95 Office Hymn. M. *Passion Sunday and daily till Maundy Thursday.*

Bishop Venantius Fortunatus, 530–609. *Tr. P. D.*

Pange, lingua, gloriosi proelium certaminis.

SING, my tongue, the glorious battle,
Sing the ending of the fray;
Now above the Cross, the trophy,
Sound the loud triumphant lay:
Tell how Christ, the world's Redeemer,
As a Victim won the day.

2 God in pity saw man fallen,
  Shamed and sunk in misery,
When he fell on death by tasting
  Fruit of the forbidden tree;
Then another tree was chosen
  Which the world from death should free.

3 Thus the scheme of our salvation
  Was of old in order laid,
That the manifold deceiver's
  Art by art might be outweighed,
And the lure the foe put forward
  Into means of healing made.

4 Therefore when the appointed fullness
  Of the holy time was come,
He was sent who maketh all things
  Forth from God's eternal home;
Thus he came to earth, incarnate,
  Offspring of a maiden's womb.

5. To the Trinity be glory
  Everlasting, as is meet;
Equal to the Father, equal
  To the Son and Paraclete:
Trinal Unity, whose praises
  All created things repeat. Amen.

96 Office Hymn (*in full*). M. *Passion Sunday and daily till Maundy Thursday.*

Bishop Venantius Fortunatus, 530–609. *Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Lustra sex qui jam peracta.

THIRTY years among us dwelling,
  His appointed time fulfilled,
Born for this, he meets his Passion,
  For that this he freely willed,
On the Cross the Lamb is lifted
  Where his life-blood shall be spilled.

2 He endured the nails, the spitting,
Vinegar, and spear, and reed;
From that holy Body broken
Blood and water forth proceed:
Earth, and stars, and sky, and ocean
By that flood from stain are freed.

Part 2.

3 Faithful Cross! above all other,
One and only noble tree!
None in foliage, none in blossom,
None in fruit thy peer may be;
Sweetest wood and sweetest iron!
Sweetest weight is hung on thee.

4 Bend thy boughs, O Tree of Glory!
Thy relaxing sinews bend;
For awhile the ancient rigour
That thy birth bestowed, suspend;
And the King of heavenly beauty
On thy bosom gently tend!

5 Thou alone wast counted worthy
This world's ransom to uphold;
For a shipwreck'd race preparing
Harbour, like the Ark of old;
With the sacred Blood anointed
From the smitten Lamb that rolled.

6. To the Trinity be glory
Everlasting, as is meet;
Equal to the Father, equal
To the Son, and Paraclete:
Trinal Unity, whose praises
All created things repeat. Amen.

97

14th or 15th cent. Tr. A. R.

Si vis vere gloriari.

DOST thou truly seek renown
Christ his glory sharing?
Wouldst thou win the heavenly crown
Victor's meed declaring?
Tread the path the Saviour trod,
Look upon the crown of God,
See what he is wearing.

2 This the King of heaven bore
In that sore contending;
This his sacred temples wore,
Honour to it lending;
In this helm he faced the foe,
On the Rood he laid him low,
Satan's kingdom ending.

3 Christ upon the Tree of Scorn,
In salvation's hour,
Turned to gold these pricks of thorn
By his Passion's power;
So on sinners, who had earned
Endless death, from sin returned,
Endless blessings shower.

4. When in death's embrace we lie,
Then, good Lord, be near us;
With thy presence fortify,
And with victory cheer us;
Turn our erring hearts to thee,
That we crowned for ay may be:
O good Jesu, hear us!

98

Phineas Fletcher, 1582–1650.

DROP, drop, slow tears,
And bathe those beauteous feet,
Which brought from heaven
The news and Prince of peace.

2 Cease not, wet eyes,
His mercies to entreat;
To cry for vengeance
Sin doth never cease.

3. In your deep floods
Drown all my faults and fears;
Nor let his eye
See sin, but through my tears.

99

18th cent. Tr. E. Caswall.

Viva! Viva! Gesù.

GLORY be to Jesus,
Who, in bitter pains,
Poured for me the life-blood
From his sacred veins.

2 Grace and life eternal
In that Blood I find;
Blest be his compassion,
Infinitely kind.

3 Blest through endless ages
Be the precious stream,
Which from endless torment
Doth the world redeem.

4 Abel's blood for vengeance
Pleaded to the skies;
But the Blood of Jesus
For our pardon cries.

5 Oft as it is sprinkled
On our guilty hearts,
Satan in confusion
Terror-struck departs.

6 Oft as earth exulting
Wafts its praise on high,
Hell with terror trembles,
Heaven is filled with joy.

7. Lift ye then your voices;
Swell the mighty flood;
Louder still and louder
Praise the precious Blood.

100

J. Montgomery, 1771–1854.

GO to dark Gethsemane,
Ye that feel the Tempter's power;
Your Redeemer's conflict see,
Watch with him one bitter hour:
Turn not from his griefs away,
Learn of Jesus Christ to pray.

2 See him at the judgement-hall,
Beaten, bound, reviled, arraigned;
See him meekly bearing all!
Love to man his soul sustained.
Shun not suffering, shame, or loss;
Learn of Christ to bear the Cross.

3. Calvary's mournful mountain view;
There the Lord of Glory see,
Made a sacrifice for you,
Dying on the accursèd tree:
'It is finished!' hear him cry;
Trust in Christ and learn to die.

101

F. W. Faber, 1814–63.

MY God! my God! and can it be
That I should sin so lightly now,
And think no more of evil thoughts
Than of the wind that waves the bough?

2 I walk the earth with lightsome step,
Smile at the sunshine, breathe the air,
Do my own will, nor ever heed
Gethsemane and thy long prayer.

3 Shall it be always thus, O Lord?
Wilt thou not work this hour in me
The grace thy Passion merited,
Hatred of self, and love of thee!

4 Ever when tempted, make me see,
Beneath the olives' moon-pierced shade,
My God, alone, outstretched, and bruised,
And bleeding, on the earth he made;

5. And make me feel it was my sin,
As though no other sins there were,
That was to him who bears the world
A load that he could scarcely bear.

102 *P. Gerhardt*, 1607–76, *based on* Salve caput cruentatum (*ascribed to St. Bernard*). *Tr. Y. H.*

O Haupt voll Blut und Wunden.

O SACRED head, sore wounded,
Defiled and put to scorn;
O kingly head, surrounded
With mocking crown of thorn:
What sorrow mars thy grandeur?
Can death thy bloom deflower?
O countenance whose splendour
The hosts of heaven adore.

2 Thy beauty, long-desirèd,
Hath vanished from our sight;
Thy power is all expirèd,
And quenched the light of light.
Ah me! for whom thou diest,
Hide not so far thy grace:
Show me, O Love most highest,
The brightness of thy face.

3* I pray thee, Jesus, own me,
Me, Shepherd good, for thine;
Who to thy fold hast won me,
And fed with truth divine.

Me guilty, me refuse not,
  Incline thy face to me,
This comfort that I lose not,
  On earth to comfort thee.

4 In thy most bitter passion
  My heart to share doth cry,
With thee for my salvation
  Upon the Cross to die.
Ah, keep my heart thus movèd
  To stand thy Cross beneath,
To mourn thee, well-belovèd,
  Yet thank thee for thy death.

5*. My days are few, O fail not,
  With thine immortal power,
To hold me that I quail not
  In death's most fearful hour:
That I may fight befriended,
  And see in my last strife
To me thine arms extended
  Upon the Cross of life.

103

c. 17th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale and others.

Attolle paulum lumina.

O SINNER, raise the eye of faith,
  To true repentance turning,
Consider well the curse of sin,
  Its shame and guilt discerning:
Upon the Crucified One look,
So shalt thou learn, as in a book,
  What well is worth thy learning.

2 Look on the head, with such a crown
  Of bitter thorns surrounded;
Look on the blood that trickles down
  The feet and hands thus wounded;
And see his flesh with scourges rent:
Mark how upon the Innocent
  Man's malice hath abounded.

3* But though upon him many a pain
Its bitterness is spending,
Yet more, O how much more! his heart
Man's wickedness is rending!
Such is the load for sinners borne,
As Mary's Son in woe forlorn
His life for us is ending.

4 None ever knew such pangs before,
None ever such affliction,
As when his people brought to pass
The Saviour's crucifixion.
He willed to bear for us the throes,
For us the unimagined woes,
Of death's most fell infliction.

5* O sinner, stay and ponder well
Sin's fearful condemnation;
Think on the wounds that Christ endured
In working thy salvation;
For if thy Lord had never died,
Nought else could sinful man betide
But utter reprobation.

6. Lord, give us sinners grace to flee
The death of evil-doing,
To shun the gloomy gates of hell,
Thine awful judgement viewing.
So thank we thee, O Christ, to-day,
And so for life eternal pray,
The holy road pursuing.

104 *Compline.* *Prudentius, b.* 348. *Tr. T. A. L.*

Cultor, Dei memento.

SERVANT of God, remember
The stream thy soul bedewing,
The grace that came upon thee
Anointing and renewing.

2 When kindly slumber calls thee,
  Upon thy bed reclining,
Trace thou the Cross of Jesus,
  Thy heart and forehead signing.

3 The Cross dissolves the darkness,
  And drives away temptation;
It calms the wavering spirit
  By quiet consecration.

4 Begone, begone, the terrors
  Of vague and formless dreaming;
Begone, thou fell deceiver,
  With all thy boasted scheming.

5 Begone, thou crookèd serpent,
  Who, twisting and pursuing,
By fraud and lie preparest
  The simple soul's undoing;

6 Tremble, for Christ is near us,
  Depart, for here he dwelleth,
And this, the Sign thou knowest,
  Thy strong battalions quelleth.

7 Then while the weary body
  Its rest in sleep is nearing,
The heart will muse in silence
  On Christ and his appearing.

8. To God, eternal Father,
  To Christ, our King, be glory,
And to the Holy Spirit,
  In never-ending story. Amen.

105

W. Shirley, 1725–86, *and others.*

SWEET the moments, rich in blessing,
  Which before the Cross I spend,
Life, and health, and peace possessing
  From the sinner's dying Friend.

2 Here I stay, for ever viewing
Mercy streaming in his Blood;
Precious drops, my soul bedewing,
Plead and claim my peace with God.

3 Truly blessèd is this station,
Low before his Cross to lie,
While I see divine compassion
Floating in his languid eye.

4. Lord, in ceaseless contemplation
Fix our hearts and eyes on thee,
Till we taste thy full salvation,
And unveiled thy glories see.

106

Mrs. C. F. Alexander, 1823-95.

THERE is a green hill far away,
Without a city wall,
Where the dear Lord was crucified
Who died to save us all.

2 We may not know, we cannot tell,
What pains he had to bear,
But we believe it was for us
He hung and suffered there.

3*He died that we might be forgiven,
He died to make us good;
That we might go at last to heaven,
Saved by his precious Blood.

4*There was no other good enough
To pay the price of sin;
He only could unlock the gate
Of heaven, and let us in.

5. O, dearly, dearly has he loved,
And we must love him too,
And trust in his redeeming Blood,
And try his works to do.

107

I. Watts, 1674–1748.

WHEN I survey the wondrous Cross,
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
Save in the death of Christ my God;
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his Blood.

3 See from his head, his hands, his feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

4* His dying crimson like a robe,
Spreads o'er his body on the Tree;
Then am I dead to all the globe,
And all the globe is dead to me.

5. Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

108

Bishop A. Cleveland Coxe, 1818–96.

WHO is this with garments gory,
Triumphing from Bozrah's way;
This that weareth robes of glory,
Bright with more than victory's ray?
Who is this unwearied comer
From his journey's sultry length,
Travelling through Idumè's summer
In the greatness of his strength?

2 Wherefore red in thine apparel
Like the conquerors of earth,
And arrayed like those who carol
O'er the reeking vineyard's mirth?

Who art thou, the valleys seeking
Where our peaceful harvests wave?
'I, in righteous anger speaking,
I, the mighty One to save;
3 'I, that of the raging heathen
Trod the winepress all alone,
Now in victor-garlands wreathen
Coming to redeem mine own:
I am he with sprinkled raiment,
Glorious for my vengeance-hour,
Ransoming, with priceless payment,
And delivering with power.'
4. Hail! All hail! Thou Lord of Glory!
Thee, our Father, thee we own;
Abram heard not of our story,
Israel ne'er our name hath known.
But, Redeemer, thou hast sought us,
Thou hast heard thy children's wail,
Thou with thy dear Blood hast bought us:
Hail! Thou mighty Victor, hail!

The following are also suitable, in addition to several of the Lent hymns:

118 It is finished.
305 Bread of the world.
409 In the Cross of Christ I glory.
416 Jesu, meek and lowly.
418 Jesu, name all names above.
477 Rock of ages.

HOLY WEEK.

Passiontide Office Hymns till Maundy Thursday. No Office Hymns from Maundy Thursday till Low Sunday.

PALM SUNDAY.

See 619 Come, faithful people, come away.
620 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
621 Glory and praise and dominion.
622 All glory, laud, and honour.
623 Now, my soul, thy voice upraising.

109 *J. M. Neale*, 1818–1866; (4.) *W. Denton.*

O THOU who through this holy week
Didst suffer for us all,
The sick to cure, the lost to seek,
To raise up them that fall:

2 We cannot understand the woe
Thy love was pleased to bear;
O Lamb of God, we only know
That all our hopes are there.

3 Thy feet the path of suffering trod;
Thy hand the victory won:
What shall we render to our God
For all that he hath done?

4. O grant us, Lord, with thee to die,
With thee to rise anew;
Grant us the things of earth to fly,
The things of heaven pursue.

MAUNDY THURSDAY.

The following are suitable:

300 According to thy gracious word.
317 Laud, O Sion, thy salvation.
326 Of the glorious Body telling.
330 The Word of God, proceeding forth.

GOOD FRIDAY.

See also **737** The Reproaches.

110 *Bishop R. Mant*, 1776–1848.

SEE the destined day arise!
See, a willing sacrifice,
To redeem our fatal loss,
Jesus hangs upon the Cross!

2 Jesu, who but thou had borne,
Lifted on that Tree of scorn,
Every pang and bitter throe,
Finishing thy life of woe?

3 Who but thou had dared to drain,
Steeped in gall, the cup of pain,
And with tender body bear
Thorns, and nails, and piercing spear?

4 Thence, poured forth, the water flowed,
Mingled from thy side with blood,—
Sign to all attesting eyes
Of the finished Sacrifice.

5 Holy Jesu, grant us grace
In that Sacrifice to place
All our trust for life renewed,
Pardoned sin, and promised good.

6. Grant us grace to sing to thee,
In the Trinal Unity,
Ever with the sons of light,
Blessing, honour, glory, might. Amen.

111

F. W. Faber, 1814-63.

O COME and mourn with me awhile;
See Mary calls us to her side;
O come and let us mourn with her:
Jesus, our Love, is crucified.

2 Have we no tears to shed for him,
While soldiers scoff and Jews deride?
Ah, look how patiently he hangs:
Jesus, our Love, is crucified.

3 * How fast his hands and feet are nailed;
His blessèd tongue with thirst is tied;
His failing eyes are blind with blood:
Jesus, our Love, is crucified.

4 * His Mother cannot reach his face;
She stands in helplessness beside;
Her heart is martyred with her Son's:
Jesus, our Love, is crucified.

5 Seven times he spoke, seven words of love;
And all three hours his silence cried
For mercy on the souls of men:
Jesus, our Love, is crucified.

6*O break, O break, hard heart of mine;
Thy weak self-love and guilty pride
His Pilate and his Judas were:
Jesus, our Love, is crucified.

7*A broken heart, a fount of tears,
Ask, and they will not be denied;
A broken heart love's cradle is:
Jesus, our Love, is crucified.

8. O Love of God! O sin of Man!
In this dread act your strength is tried;
And victory remains with Love:
For he, our Love, is crucified.

Or the following:

97 Dost thou truly seek renown.
484 Take up thy cross.

112

Mrs. C. F. Alexander, 1823-95.

'Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.'

'FORGIVE them, O my Father,
They know not what they do:'
The Saviour spake in anguish,
As the sharp nails went through.

2 No pained reproaches gave he
To them that shed his Blood,
But prayer and tenderest pity
Large as the love of God.

3 For me was that compassion,
For me that tender care;
I need his wide forgiveness
As much as any there.

4*It was my pride and hardness
That hung him on the Tree;
Those cruel nails, O Saviour,
Were driven in by me.

5 And often I have slighted
Thy gentle voice that chid;
Forgive me too, Lord Jesus;
I knew not what I did.

6. O depth of sweet compassion!
O love divine and true!
Save thou the souls that slight thee,
And know not what they do.

Or the following:

416 Jesu, meek and lowly.

113

Archbishop W. D. Maclagan, 1826–1910.

'Verily I say unto thee, To-day shalt thou be with me in Paradise.'

'LORD, when thy kingdom comes, remember me;'
Thus spake the dying lips to dying ears;
O faith, which in that darkest hour could see
The promised glory of the far-off years!

2 No kingly sign declares that glory now,
No ray of hope lights up that awful hour;
A thorny crown surrounds the bleeding brow,
The hands are stretched in weakness, not in power.

3 Hark! through the gloom the dying Saviour saith,
'Thou too shalt rest in Paradise to-day;'

O words of love to answer words of faith!
O words of hope for those that live to pray!

4 Lord, when with dying lips my prayer is said,
Grant that in faith thy kingdom I may see;
And, thinking on thy Cross and bleeding head,
May breathe my parting words, 'Remember me.'

5 Remember me, but not my shame or sin;
Thy cleansing Blood hath washed them all away;
Thy precious death for me did pardon win;
Thy Blood redeemed me in that awful day.

6. Remember me; and, ere I pass away,
Speak thou the assuring word that sets us free,
And make thy promise to my heart, 'To-day
Thou too shalt rest in Paradise with me.'

114

T. A. L.

THE dying robber raised his aching brow
To claim the dying Lord for company;
And heard, in answer to his trembling vow,
The promise of the King: Thou—even thou—
To-day shalt be in Paradise with me.

2 We too the measure of our guilt confess,
Knowing thy mercy, Lord, our only plea;
That we, like him, through judgement and distress,
For all the weight of our unworthiness,
May win our way to Paradise with thee.

3 But so bewildered is our failing heart,
So dim the lustre of thy royalty,
We hardly know thee, Lord, for what thou art,
Till we begin to take the better part
And lose ourselves in Paradise with thee.

4. Then lift our eyes, dear Lord, from this poor dross,
To see thee reigning in humility,
The King of love; that, wresting gain from loss,
We too may climb the ladder of the Cross,
To find our home in Paradise with thee.

Or the following:

477 Rock of ages.

115 *Ascribed to Jacopone da Todi, d. 1306. Tr. Bishop Mant, Aubrey de Vere, and others.*

'Behold thy Mother.'

Stabat mater dolorosa.

AT the Cross her station keeping,
Stood the mournful Mother weeping,
Close to Jesus at the last.
Through her soul, of joy bereavèd,
Bowed with anguish, deeply grievèd,
Now at length the sword hath passed.

2* O, that blessèd one, grief-laden,
Blessèd Mother, blessèd Maiden,
Mother of the all-holy One;
O that silent, ceaseless mourning,
O those dim eyes, never turning
From that wondrous, suffering Son.

3 Who on Christ's dear Mother gazing,
In her trouble so amazing,
Born of woman, would not weep?
Who on Christ's dear Mother thinking,
Such a cup of sorrow drinking,
Would not share her sorrow deep?

4 For his people's sins, in anguish,
There she saw the victim languish,
Bleed in torments, bleed and die:
Saw the Lord's anointed taken;
Saw her Child in death forsaken;
Heard his last expiring cry.

5* In the Passion of my Maker,
Be my sinful soul partaker,
May I bear with her my part;
Of his Passion bear the token,
In a spirit bowed and broken
Bear his death within my heart.

6* May his wounds both wound and heal me,
He enkindle, cleanse, anneal me,
Be his Cross my hope and stay.
May he, when the mountains quiver,
From that flame which burns for ever
Shield me on the judgement day.

7. Jesu, may thy Cross defend me,
And thy saving death befriend me,
Cherished by thy deathless grace:
When to dust my dust returneth,
Grant a soul that to thee yearneth
In thy Paradise a place.

Or the following:

510 We sing the praise of him who died.

116

J. Ellerton, 1826–93.

'My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?'

THRONED upon the awful Tree,
King of grief, I watch with thee;
Darkness veils thine anguished face,
None its lines of woe can trace,
None can tell what pangs unknown
Hold thee silent and alone;

2 Silent through those three dread hours,
Wrestling with the evil powers,
Left alone with human sin,
Gloom around thee and within,
Till the appointed time is nigh,
Till the Lamb of God may die.

3 Hark that cry that peals aloud
Upward through the whelming cloud!
Thou, the Father's only Son,
Thou his own anointed One,
Thou dost ask him—can it be?—
'Why hast thou forsaken me?'

4. Lord, should fear and anguish roll
Darkly o'er my sinful soul,
Thou, who once wast thus bereft
That thine own might ne'er be left,
Teach me by that bitter cry
In the gloom to know thee nigh.

Or the following:

103 O sinner, raise the eye of faith.

117

Mrs. C. F. Alexander, 1823-95.

'I thirst.'

HIS are the thousand sparkling rills
That from a thousand fountains burst,
And fill with music all the hills:
And yet he saith, 'I thirst.'

2 All fiery pangs on battlefields,
On fever beds where sick men toss,
Are in that human cry he yields
To anguish on the Cross.

3 * But more than pains that racked him then
Was the deep longing thirst divine
That thirsted for the souls of men:
Dear Lord! and one was mine.

4. O Love most patient, give me grace;
Make all my soul athirst for thee:
That parched dry lip, that fading face,
That thirst, were all for me.

Or the following:

106 There is a green hill far away.

118 *Other occasions also.* *Gabriel Gillett.*

'It is finished.'

IT is finished! Christ hath known
All the life of men wayfaring,
Human joys and sorrows sharing,
Making human needs his own.
Lord, in us thy life renewing,
Lead us where thy feet have trod,
Till, the way of truth pursuing,
Human souls find rest in God.

2 It is finished! Christ is slain,
On the altar of creation,
Offering for a world's salvation
Sacrifice of love and pain.
Lord, thy love through pain revealing,
Purge our passions, scourge our vice,
Till, upon the Tree of Healing,
Self is slain in sacrifice.

3. It is finished! Christ our King
Wins the victor's crown of glory;
Sun and stars recite his story,
Floods and fields his triumph sing.
Lord, whose praise the world is telling,
Lord, to whom all power is given,
By thy death, hell's armies quelling,
Bring thy saints to reign in heaven.

Or the following:

107 When I survey the wondrous Cross.

119 *Mrs. E. S. Alderson*, 1818–88.

'Father, into thy hands I commend my Spirit.'

AND now, belovèd Lord, thy soul resigning
Into thy Father's arms with conscious will,
Calmly, with reverend grace, thy head inclining,
The throbbing brow and labouring breast grow still.

2 O Love! o'er mortal agony victorious,
Now is thy triumph! now that Cross shall shine
To earth's remotest age revered and glorious,
Of suffering's deepest mystery the sign.

3 My Saviour, in mine hour of mortal anguish,
When earth grows dim, and round me falls the night,
O breathe thy peace, as flesh and spirit languish;
At that dread eventide let there be light.

4. To thy dear Cross turn thou mine eyes in dying;
Lay but my fainting head upon thy breast;
Those outstretched arms receive my latest sighing;
And then, O! then, thine everlasting rest.

Or the following:

102 O sacred head, sore wounded.

The following are also suitable:

80 My God, I love thee; not because.
95 Sing, my tongue, the glorious battle.
471 Praise to the Holiest in the height.

GOOD FRIDAY EVENING AND EASTER EVEN.

120 *Archbishop W. D. Maclagan*, 1826–1910.

IT is finished! Blessèd Jesus,
Thou hast breathed thy latest sigh,
Teaching us the sons of Adam
How the Son of God can die.

2 Lifeless lies the piercèd Body,
Resting in its rocky bed;
Thou hast left the Cross of anguish
For the mansions of the dead.

3 In the hidden realms of darkness
Shines a light unseen before,
When the Lord of dead and living
Enters at the lowly door.

4 * Lo! in spirit, rich in mercy
Comes he from the world above,
Preaching to the souls in prison
Tidings of his dying love.

5 * Lo! the heavenly light around him,
As he draws his people near;
All amazed they come rejoicing
At the gracious words they hear.

6 Patriarch and Priest and Prophet
Gather round him as he stands,
In adoring faith and gladness
Hearing of the piercèd hands.

7 There in lowliest joy and wonder
Stands the robber by his side,
Reaping now the blessèd promise
Spoken by the Crucified.

8. Jesus, Lord of our salvation,
Let thy mercy rest on me;
Grant me too, when life is finished,
Rest in Paradise with thee.

121

Isaac Gregory Smith, 1826-1920.

BY Jesus' grave on either hand,
While night is brooding o'er the land,
The sad and silent mourners stand.

2 At last the weary life is o'er,
The agony and conflict sore
Of him who all our sufferings bore.

3 Deep in the rock's sepulchral shade
The Lord, by whom the world was made,
The Saviour of mankind, is laid.

4. O hearts bereaved and sore distrest,
Here is for you a place of rest;
Here leave your griefs on Jesus' breast.

EASTER.

See also: 624 Hail thee, Festival Day,
625 The strife is o'er, the battle done.
626 Ye sons and daughters of the King.
627 The Lord is risen indeed.

There is no Office Hymn till Low Sunday, but 738 This is the day *may be sung in the place of the Office Hymn at Evensong on Easter Day and till the Saturday following.*

122 OFFICE HYMN. *Saturday evenings: i.e.* 1*st* E. *of Sundays after Easter. St. Fulbert of Chartres, c.* 1000. *Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Chorus novae Jerusalem.

YE choirs of new Jerusalem,
To sweet new strains attune your theme
The while we keep, from care released,
With sober joy our Paschal feast:

2 When Christ, unconquer'd Lion, first
The dragon's chains by rising burst:
And while with living voice he cries,
The dead of other ages rise.

3 Engorged in former years, their prey
Must death and hell restore to-day:
And many a captive soul, set free,
With Jesus leaves captivity.

4 Right gloriously he triumphs now,
Worthy to whom should all things bow;
And joining heaven and earth again,
Links in one commonweal the twain.

5 And we, as these his deeds we sing,
His suppliant soldiers, pray our King,
That in his palace, bright and vast,
We may keep watch and ward at last.

6. Long as unending ages run,
To God the Father, laud be done:
To God the Son, our equal praise,
And God the Holy Ghost, we raise. Amen.

123 OFFICE HYMN (*in full*). *Low Sunday till Ascension*, M.

4th or 5th cent. Tr. T. A. L.

Aurora lucis rutilat.

THE day draws on with golden light,
Glad songs go echoing through the height,
The broad earth lifts an answering cheer,
The deep makes moan with wailing fear.

2 For lo, he comes, the mighty King,
To take from death his power and sting,
To trample down his gloomy reign
And break the weary prisoner's chain.

3 Enclosed he lay in rocky cell,
With guard of armèd sentinel;
But thence returning, strong and free,
He comes with pomp of jubilee.

Part 2.

4 The sad Apostles mourn him slain,
Nor hope to see their Lord again;
Their Lord, whom rebel thralls defy,
Arraign, accuse, and doom to die.

5 But now they put their grief away,
The pains of hell are loosed to-day;
For by the grave, with flashing eyes,
'Your Lord is risen,' the Angel cries.

6 Maker of all, to thee we pray,
Fulfil in us thy joy to-day;
When death assails, grant, Lord, that we
May share thy Paschal victory.

7. To thee who, dead, again dost live,
All glory, Lord, thy people give;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To Father and to Paraclete. Amen.

124 OFFICE HYMN (*in full*). *Low Sunday till Ascension,* M.

4th or 5th cent. Tr. T. A. L.

Sermone blando Angelus.

HIS cheering message from the grave
An Angel to the women gave:
'Full soon your Master ye shall see;
He goes before to Galilee.'

2 But while with flying steps they press
To bear the news, all eagerness,
Their Lord, the living Lord, they meet,
And prostrate fall to kiss his feet.

3 So when his mourning followers heard
The tidings of that faithful word,
Quick went they forth to Galilee,
Their loved and lost once more to see.

Part 2.

4 On that fair day of Paschal joy
The sunshine was without alloy,
When to their very eyes restored
They looked upon the risen Lord.

5 The wounds before their eyes displayed
They see in living light arrayed,
And that they see they testify
In open witness fearlessly.

6 O Christ, the King of gentleness,
Our several hearts do thou possess,
That we may render all our days
Thy meed of thankfulness and praise.

7 Maker of all, to thee we pray,
Fulfil in us thy joy to-day;
When death assails, grant, Lord, that we
May share thy Paschal victory.

8. To thee who, dead, again dost live,
All glory, Lord, thy people give;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To Father and to Paraclete. Amen.

125 OFFICE HYMN. *Low Sunday till Ascension*, E.
7th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.

Ad cenam Agni providi.

THE Lamb's high banquet we await
In snow-white robes of royal state;
And now, the Red Sea's channel past,
To Christ, our Prince, we sing at last.

2 Upon the altar of the Cross
His Body hath redeemed our loss;
And tasting of his roseate Blood
Our life is hid with him in God.

3 That Paschal eve God's arm was bared;
The devastating Angel spared:
By strength of hand our hosts went free
From Pharaoh's ruthless tyranny.

4 Now Christ our Paschal Lamb is slain,
The Lamb of God that knows no stain;
The true Oblation offered here,
Our own unleavened Bread sincere.

5 O thou from whom hell's monarch flies,
O great, O very Sacrifice,
Thy captive people are set free,
And endless life restored in thee.

6 For Christ, arising from the dead,
From conquered hell victorious sped;
He thrusts the tyrant down to chains,
And Paradise for man regains.

7 Maker of all, to thee we pray,
Fulfil in us thy joy to-day;
When death assails, grant, Lord, that we
May share thy Paschal victory.

8. To thee who, dead, again dost live,
All glory, Lord, thy people give;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To Father and to Paraclete. Amen.

126

Percy Dearmer, 1867–1936.

A BRIGHTER dawn is breaking,
And earth with praise is waking;
For thou, O King most highest,
The power of death defiest;

2 And thou hast come victorious,
With risen Body glorious,
Who now for ever livest,
And life abundant givest.

3 O free the world from blindness,
And fill the world with kindness,
Give sinners resurrection,
Bring striving to perfection;

4. In sickness give us healing,
In doubt thy clear revealing,
That praise to thee be given
In earth as in thy heaven.

127

Bishop Chr. Wordsworth, 1807–85.

ALLELUYA! Alleluya!
Hearts to heaven and voices raise;
Sing to God a hymn of gladness,
Sing to God a hymn of praise;

He who on the Cross a victim
For the world's salvation bled,
Jesus Christ, the King of glory,
Now is risen from the dead.

2 Christ is risen, Christ the first-fruits
Of the holy harvest field,
Which will all its full abundance
At his second coming yield;
Then the golden ears of harvest
Will their heads before him wave,
Ripened by his glorious sunshine
From the furrows of the grave.

3 Christ is risen, we are risen;
Shed upon us heavenly grace,
Rain, and dew, and gleams of glory
From the brightness of thy face;
That we, Lord, with hearts in heaven
Here on earth may fruitful be,
And by angel-hands be gathered,
And be ever safe with thee.

4. Alleluya! Alleluya!
Glory be to God on high;
To the Father, and the Saviour,
Who has gained the victory;
Glory to the Holy Spirit,
Fount of love and sanctity;
Alleluya! Alleluya!
To the Triune Majesty. Amen.

128 *R. Campbell* †, 1814–68. *Based on* Ad regias Agni dapes.

AT the Lamb's high feast we sing
Praise to our victorious King:
Who hath washed us in the tide
Flowing from his piercèd side;
Praise we him whose love Divine
Gives the guests his Blood for wine,
Gives his Body for the feast,
Love the Victim, Love the Priest.

2 * Where the Paschal blood is poured,
Death's dark angel sheathes his sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go
Through the wave that drowns the foe.
Christ, the Lamb whose Blood was shed,
Paschal victim, Paschal bread!
With sincerity and love
Eat we Manna from above.

3 Mighty Victim from on high,
Powers of hell beneath thee lie;
Death is broken in the fight,
Thou hast brought us life and light.
Now thy banner thou dost wave,
Conquering Satan and the grave.
See the prince of darkness quelled;
Heaven's bright gates are open held.

4. Paschal triumph, Paschal joy,
Only sin can this destroy;
From sin's death do thou set free,
Souls re-born, dear Lord, in thee.
Hymns of glory, songs of praise,
Father, unto thee we raise.
Risen Lord, all praise to thee,
Ever with the Spirit be.

129 *Michael Weisse, c.* 1480–1534. *Tr. C. Winkworth.*

Christus ist erstanden.

CHRIST the Lord is risen again!
Christ hath broken every chain!
Hark, the angels shout for joy,
Singing evermore on high,
Alleluya!

2 He who gave for us his life,
Who for us endured the strife,
Is our Paschal Lamb to-day!
We too sing for joy, and say
Alleluya!

3 He who bore all pain and loss
Comfortless upon the Cross,
Lives in glory now on high,
Pleads for us, and hears our cry.
Alleluya!

4 He whose path no records tell,
Who descended into hell;
Who the strong man armed hath bound,
Now in highest heaven is crowned.
Alleluya!

5 Now he bids us tell abroad
How the lost may be restored,
How the penitent forgiven,
How we too may enter heaven.
Alleluya!

6. Thou, our Paschal Lamb indeed,
Christ, to-day thy people feed;
Take our sins and guilt away,
That we all may sing for aye,
Alleluya!

130 *Sequence.* *Ascribed to Wipo, c.* 1030. *Tr. cento.*

Victimae Paschali.

CHRISTIANS, to the Paschal Victim
Offer your thankful praises!

2 A Lamb the sheep redeemeth:
Christ, who only is sinless,
Reconcileth sinners to the Father;

3 Death and life have contended
In that combat stupendous:
The Prince of Life, who died, reigns immortal.

4 Speak Mary, declaring
What thou sawest wayfaring:

5 'The Tomb of Christ, who is living,
The glory of Jesu's Resurrection:

6 Bright angels attesting,
The shroud and napkin resting.
7 Yea, Christ my hope is arisen:
To Galilee he goes before you.'
8 Happy they who hear the witness, Mary's word believing
Above the tales of Jewry deceiving.
9. Christ indeed from death is risen, our new life obtaining.
Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning!

131 *St. John Damascene, c. 750. Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Αἴσωμεν πάντες λαοί.

COME, ye faithful, raise the strain
Of triumphant gladness;
God hath brought his Israel
Into joy from sadness;
Loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke
Jacob's sons and daughters;
Led them with unmoistened foot
Through the Red Sea waters.

2 'Tis the Spring of souls to-day;
Christ hath burst his prison,
And from three days' sleep in death
As a Sun hath risen;
All the winter of our sins,
Long and dark, is flying
From his Light, to whom we give
Laud and praise undying.

3 Now the Queen of seasons, bright
With the Day of splendour,
With the royal Feast of feasts,
Comes its joy to render;
Comes to glad Jerusalem,
Who with true affection
Welcomes in unwearied strains
Jesu's Resurrection.

4. Neither might the gates of death,
Nor the tomb's dark portal,
Nor the watchers, nor the seal,
Hold thee as a mortal;
But to-day amidst the twelve
Thou didst stand, bestowing
That thy peace which evermore
Passeth human knowing.

132 *Mrs. C. F. Alexander*, 1823–95.

HE is risen, he is risen:
Tell it with a joyful voice;
He has burst his three days' prison;
Let the whole wide earth rejoice.
Death is conquered, man is free,
Christ has won the victory.

2 Come, ye sad and fearful-hearted,
With glad smile and radiant brow;
Lent's long shadows have departed,
All his woes are over now,
And the passion that he bore:
Sin and pain can vex no more.

3. Come, with high and holy hymning,
Chant our Lord's triumphant lay;
Not one darksome cloud is dimming
Yonder glorious morning ray,
Breaking o'er the purple East,
Brighter far our Easter-feast.

133 *Lyra Davidica* (1708), *and the Supplement* (1816). *Based partly on* Surrexit Christus hodie. *c.14th cent.*

JESUS Christ is risen to-day, Alleluya!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluya!
Who did once, upon the Cross, Alleluya!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluya!

2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluya!
Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluya!
Who endured the Cross and grave, Alleluya!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluya!

3. But the pains that he endured Alleluya!
Our salvation have procured; Alleluya!
Now above the sky he's King, Alleluya!
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluya!

134 *C. F. Gellert*, 1715–69. *Tr. Frances E. Cox and others.*

Jesus lebt, mit ihm auch ich.

JESUS lives! thy terrors now
Can, O Death, no more appal us;
Jesus lives! by this we know
Thou, O grave, canst not enthral us.
Alleluya!

2 Jesus lives! henceforth is death
But the gate of life immortal;
This shall calm our trembling breath,
When we pass its gloomy portal.
Alleluya!

3 Jesus lives! for us he died;
Then, alone to Jesus living,
Pure in heart may we abide,
Glory to our Saviour giving.
Alleluya!

4 Jesus lives! our hearts know well
Nought from us his love shall sever;
Life, nor death, nor powers of hell
Tear us from his keeping ever.
Alleluya!

5. Jesus lives! to him the throne
Over all the world is given;
May we go where he is gone,
Rest and reign with him in heaven.
Alleluya!

135 *C. Wesley*, 1707–88.

LOVE'S redeeming work is done;
Fought the fight, the battle won:
Lo, our Sun's eclipse is o'er!
Lo, he sets in blood no more!

2 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal,
Christ has burst the gates of hell;
Death in vain forbids his rise;
Christ has opened Paradise.

3 Lives again our glorious King;
Where, O Death, is now thy sting?
Dying once, he all doth save;
Where thy victory, O grave?

4 Soar we now where Christ has led,
Following our exalted Head;
Made like him, like him we rise;
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

5. Hail the Lord of earth and heaven!
Praise to thee by both be given:
Thee we greet triumphant now;
Hail, the Resurrection thou!

136 *S. Baring-Gould*, 1834–1924.

ON the Resurrection morning
Soul and body meet again;
No more sorrow, no more weeping,
No more pain!

2*Here awhile they must be parted,
And the flesh its Sabbath keep,
Waiting in a holy stillness,
Wrapt in sleep.

3*For a while the wearied body
Lies with feet toward the morn;
Till the last and brightest Easter
Day be born.

4*But the soul in contemplation
Utters earnest prayer and strong,
Bursting at the Resurrection
Into song.

5 Soul and body reunited
Thenceforth nothing shall divide,
Waking up in Christ's own likeness
Satisfied.

6 O the beauty, O the gladness
Of that Resurrection day,
Which shall not through endless ages
Pass away!

7 On that happy Easter morning
All the graves their dead restore;
Father, sister, child, and mother
Meet once more.

8. To that brightest of all meetings
Bring us, Jesu Christ, at last,
By thy Cross, through death and judgement,
Holding fast.

137

St. John Damascene, c. 750. Tr. J. M. Neale ‡.

Ἀναστάσεως ἡμέρα.

THE Day of Resurrection!
Earth, tell it out abroad;
The Passover of gladness,
The Passover of God!
From death to life eternal,
From earth unto the sky,
Our Christ hath brought us over
With hymns of victory.

2 Our hearts be pure from evil,
That we may see aright
The Lord in rays eternal
Of resurrection-light;
And, listening to his accents,
May hear so calm and plain
His own 'All hail,' and, hearing,
May raise the victor strain.

3. Now let the heavens be joyful,
And earth her song begin,
The round world keep high triumph,
And all that is therein;
Let all things seen and unseen
Their notes of gladness blend,
For Christ the Lord hath risen,
Our Joy that hath no end.

138

St. John Damascene, c. 750. Tr. J. M. Neale.

Αὕτη ἡ κλητή.

THOU hallowed chosen morn of praise,
That best and greatest shinest:
Lady and queen and day of days,
Of things divine, divinest!
On thee our praises Christ adore
For ever and for evermore.

2 Come, let us taste the Vine's new fruit,
For heavenly joy preparing;
To-day the branches with the Root
In Resurrection sharing:
Whom as true God our hymns adore
For ever and for evermore.

3 Rise, Sion, rise! and looking forth,
Behold thy children round thee!
From east and west, from south and north,
Thy scattered sons have found thee;
And in thy bosom Christ adore
For ever and for evermore.

4. O Father, O co-equal Son,
O co-eternal Spirit,
In persons Three, in substance One,
And One in power and merit;
In thee baptized, we thee adore
For ever and for evermore. Amen.

139 *St. Fulbert of Chartres, c.* 1000. *Tr. R. Campbell.*

Chorus novae Jerusalem.

YE choirs of new Jerusalem,
Your sweetest notes employ,
The Paschal victory to hymn
In strains of holy joy.

2 How Judah's Lion burst his chains,
And crushed the serpent's head;
And brought with him, from death's domains,
The long-imprisoned dead.

3 From hell's devouring jaws the prey
Alone our Leader bore;
His ransomed hosts pursue their way
Where he hath gone before.

4 Triumphant in his glory now
His sceptre ruleth all,
Earth, heaven, and hell before him bow,
And at his footstool fall.

5 While joyful thus his praise we sing,
His mercy we implore,
Into his palace bright to bring
And keep us evermore.

6. All glory to the Father be,
All glory to the Son,
All glory, Holy Ghost, to thee,
While endless ages run. Alleluya! Amen.

The following are also suitable:

93 The God of love my Shepherd is.
319 Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour.
380 Come, ye faithful, raise the anthem.
461 O praise our great and gracious Lord.
490 The King of love my Shepherd is.
491 The Lord my pasture shall prepare.
494 The strain upraise of joy and praise.
534 Praise the Lord of heaven.
535 Praise the Lord! ye heavens, adore him.
536 Praise to the Lord.

ROGATION DAYS.

140 *J. Keble*, 1792–1866

LORD, in thy name thy servants plead,
And thou hast sworn to hear;
Thine is the harvest, thine the seed,
The fresh and fading year.

2 Our hope, when autumn winds blew wild,
We trusted, Lord, with thee;
And still, now spring has on us smiled,
We wait on thy decree.

3 The former and the latter rain,
The summer sun and air,
The green ear, and the golden grain,
All thine, are ours by prayer.

4 Thine too by right, and ours by grace,
The wondrous growth unseen,
The hopes that soothe, the fears that brace,
The love that shines serene.

5. So grant the precious things brought forth
By sun and moon below,
That thee in thy new heaven and earth
We never may forgo.

The following are also suitable:

384 Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round.
423 Judge eternal, throned in splendour.
447 O God of Bethel, by whose hand.
475 Rejoice, O land, in God thy might.
492 The Lord will come and not be slow.
528 Father of men.
558 God of our fathers.
564 The King, O God.
650 Litany for Rogationtide.

ASCENSIONTIDE.

See also : 628 Hail thee ! Festival Day.
629 O King most high of earth and sky.

141 OFFICE HYMN. *Till Whitsun Even*, E.
c. 5th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.

Aeterne Rex altissime.

ETERNAL Monarch, King most high,
Whose Blood hath brought redemption nigh,
By whom the death of Death was wrought,
And conquering Grace's battle fought:

2 Ascending to the throne of might,
And seated at the Father's right,
All power in heaven is Jesu's own,
That here his manhood had not known.

3 That so, in nature's triple frame,
Each heavenly and each earthly name,
And things in hell's abyss abhorred,
May bend the knee and own him Lord.

4 Yea, Angels tremble when they see
How changed is our humanity;
That flesh hath purged what flesh had stained,
And God, the Flesh of God, hath reigned.

5 Be thou our joy and strong defence,
Who art our future recompense:
So shall the light that springs from thee
Be ours through all eternity.

6. O risen Christ, ascended Lord,
All praise to thee let earth accord,
Who art, while endless ages run,
With Father and with Spirit One. Amen.

142 OFFICE HYMN. M. *c. 5th cent. Tr. L. H.*

Tu Christe nostrum gaudium.

O CHRIST, our joy, to whom is given
A throne o'er all the thrones of heaven,
In thee, whose hand all things obey,
The world's vain pleasures pass away.

2 So, suppliants here, we seek to win
Thy pardon for thy people's sin,
That, by thine all-prevailing grace,
Uplifted, we may seek thy face.

3 And when, all heaven beneath thee bowed,
Thou com'st to judgement throned in cloud,
Then from our guilt wash out the stain
And give us our lost crowns again.

4 Be thou our joy and strong defence,
Who art our future recompense:
So shall the light that springs from thee
Be ours through all eternity.

5. O risen Christ, ascended Lord,
All praise to thee let earth accord,
Who art, while endless ages run,
With Father and with Spirit One. Amen.

143 *C. Wesley*, 1707–88, *and T. Cotterill* † (1820).

HAIL the day that sees him rise Alleluya!
Glorious to his native skies; Alleluya!
Christ, awhile to mortals given, Alleluya!
Enters now the highest heaven! Alleluya!

2 There the glorious triumph waits; Alleluya!
Lift your heads, eternal gates! Alleluya!
Christ hath vanquished death and sin; Alleluya!
Take the King of glory in. Alleluya!

3 * See! the heaven its Lord receives, Alleluya!
Yet he loves the earth he leaves: Alleluya!
Though returning to his throne, Alleluya!
Still he calls mankind his own. Alleluya!

4 * See! he lifts his hands above; Alleluya!
See! he shows the prints of love: Alleluya!
Hark! his gracious lips bestow Alleluya!
Blessings on his Church below. Alleluya!

5 * Still for us he intercedes; Alleluya!
His prevailing death he pleads; Alleluya!
Near himself prepares our place, Alleluya!
Harbinger of human race. Alleluya!

6 Lord, though parted from our sight, Alleluya!
Far above yon azure height, Alleluya!
Grant our hearts may thither rise, Alleluya!
Seeking thee beyond the skies. Alleluya!

7. There we shall with thee remain, Alleluya!
Partners of thine endless reign; Alleluya!
There thy face unclouded see, Alleluya!
Find our heaven of heavens in thee. Alleluya!

144 *Compline.* *c. 8th cent.* *Tr. J. Chandler* †.

Jesu nostra redemptio.

O CHRIST, our hope, our hearts' desire,
Redemption's only spring;
Creator of the world art thou,
Its Saviour and its King.

2 How vast the mercy and the love
Which laid our sins on thee,
And led thee to a cruel death
To set thy people free.

3 But now the bonds of death are burst,
The ransom has been paid;
And thou art on thy Father's throne
In glorious robes arrayed.

4 O may thy mighty love prevail
Our sinful souls to spare;
O may we come before thy throne,
And find acceptance there!

5 O Christ, be thou our present joy,
Our future great reward;
Our only glory may it be
To glory in the Lord.

6. All praise to thee, ascended Lord;
All glory ever be
To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Through all eternity. Amen.

145

Bishop Chr. Wordsworth, 1807–85.

SEE the Conqueror mounts in triumph,
See the King in royal state
Riding on the clouds his chariot
To his heavenly palace gate;
Hark! the choirs of angel voices
Joyful Alleluyas sing,
And the portals high are lifted
To receive their heavenly King.

2 Who is this that comes in glory,
With the trump of jubilee?
Lord of battles, God of armies,
He has gained the victory;
He who on the Cross did suffer,
He who from the grave arose,
He has vanquished sin and Satan,
He by death has spoiled his foes.

3 Thou hast raised our human nature
In the clouds to God's right hand;
There we sit in heavenly places,
There with thee in glory stand;

Jesus reigns, adored by Angels;
Man with God is on the throne;
Mighty Lord, in thine Ascension
We by faith behold our own.

4. Glory be to God the Father;
Glory be to God the Son,
Dying, risen, ascending for us,
Who the heavenly realm has won;
Glory to the Holy Spirit;
To One God in persons Three;
Glory both in earth and heaven,
Glory, endless glory be. Amen.

Part 2.

5 Holy Ghost, Illuminator,
Shed thy beams upon our eyes,
Help us to look up with Stephen,
And to see beyond the skies,
Where the Son of Man in glory
Standing is at God's right hand,
Beckoning on his Martyr army,
Succouring his faithful band;

6 See him, who is gone before us,
Heavenly mansions to prepare,
See him, who is ever pleading
For us with prevailing prayer,
See him, who with sound of trumpet
And with his angelic train,
Summoning the world to judgement,
On the clouds will come again.

7. Glory be to God the Father;
Glory be to God the Son,
Dying, risen, ascending for us,
Who the heavenly realm has won;
Glory to the Holy Spirit;
To One God in persons Three;
Glory both in earth and heaven,
Glory, endless glory, be. Amen.

146 *The Venerable Bede*, 673–735. *Tr. B. Webb.*

Hymnum canamus gloriae.

SING we triumphant hymns of praise,
New hymns to heaven exulting raise:
Christ, by a road before untrod,
Ascendeth to the throne of God.

2 The holy apostolic band
Upon the Mount of Olives stand,
And with the Virgin-mother see
Jesu's resplendent majesty.

3 To whom the Angels, drawing nigh,
'Why stand and gaze upon the sky?
This is the Saviour!' thus they say,
'This is his noble triumph-day!'

4 'Again shall ye behold him, so
As ye to-day have seen him go;
In glorious pomp ascending high,
Up to the portals of the sky.'

5* O grant us thitherward to tend,
And with unwearied hearts ascend
Toward thy kingdom's throne, where thou,
As is our faith, art seated now.

6* Be thou our joy and strong defence,
Who art our future recompense:
So shall the light that springs from thee
Be ours through all eternity.

7. O risen Christ, ascended Lord,
All praise to thee let earth accord,
Who art, while endless ages run,
With Father and with Spirit One. Amen.

147

T. Kelly, 1769–1854.

THE head that once was crowned with thorns
Is crowned with glory now:
A royal diadem adorns
The mighty Victor's brow.

2 The highest place that heaven affords
Is his, is his by right,
The King of kings and Lord of lords,
And heaven's eternal Light;

3 The joy of all who dwell above,
The joy of all below,
To whom he manifests his love,
And grants his name to know.

4 To them the Cross, with all its shame,
With all its grace is given:
Their name an everlasting name,
Their joy the joy of heaven.

5 They suffer with their Lord below,
They reign with him above,
Their profit and their joy to know
The mystery of his love.

6. The Cross he bore is life and health,
Though shame and death to him;
His people's hope, his people's wealth,
Their everlasting theme.

148

A. T. Russell, 1806–74, *and others.*

THE Lord ascendeth up on high,
Loud anthems round him swelling;
The Lord hath triumphed gloriously,
In power and might excelling:
Hell and the grave are captive led;
Lo, he returns, our glorious Head,
To his eternal dwelling.

2 The heavens with joy receive their Lord;
O day of exultation!
By Saints, by Angel-hosts adored
For his so great salvation:
O earth, adore thy glorious King,
His Rising, his Ascension sing
With grateful adoration.

3. By Saints in earth and Saints in heaven,
With songs for ever blended,
All praise to Christ our King be given,
Who hath to heaven ascended:
To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God of heaven's resplendent host,
In bright array extended. Amen.

149

Mrs. E. Toke, 1812-72

THOU art gone up on high,
To mansions in the skies,
And round thy throne unceasingly
The songs of praise arise;
But we are lingering here,
With sin and care opprest;
Lord, send thy promised Comforter,
And lead us to thy rest.

2 Thou art gone up on high;
But thou didst first come down,
Through earth's most bitter misery
To pass unto thy crown;
And girt with griefs and fears
Our onward course must be;
But only let that path of tears
Lead us at last to thee.

3. Thou art gone up on high;
But thou shalt come again,
With all the bright ones of the sky
Attendants in thy train.

O, by thy saving power
  So make us live and die,
That we may stand in that dread hour
  At thy right hand on high.

The following are also suitable:

301 Alleluya, sing to Jesus.
364 All hail the power of Jesu's name.
368 At the name of Jesus.
380 Come, ye faithful, raise the anthem.
424 King of glory.
470 Praise, my soul.
476 Rejoice, the Lord is King.

WHITSUNTIDE.

See also: **630** Hail thee, Festival Day.
631 Spirit of mercy, truth, and love.

150 OFFICE HYMN. *Whitsun Eve*, E.: *and daily till Trinity Sunday*, M. *c. 4th cent. Tr. P. D.*

Jam Christus astra ascenderat.

WHEN Christ our Lord had passed once more
  Into the heaven he left before,
He sent a Comforter below
The Father's promise to bestow.

2 The solemn time was soon to fall
Which told the number mystical;
For since the Resurrection day
A week of weeks had passed away.

3 At the third hour a rushing noise
Came like the tempest's sudden voice,
And mingled with the Apostles' prayer,
Proclaiming loud that God was there.

4 From out the Father's light it came,
That beautiful and kindly flame,
To kindle every Christian heart,
And fervour of the Word impart.

5 As then, O Lord, thou didst fulfil,
Each holy heart to do thy will,
So now do thou our sins forgive
And make the world in peace to live.

6. To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, praise be done;
May Christ the Lord upon us pour
The Spirit's gift for evermore. Amen.

151 OFFICE HYMN. *Daily till Trinity Sunday*, F.
c. 4th cent. Tr. R. E. R.

Beata nobis gaudia.

REJOICE! the year upon its way
Has brought again that blessèd day,
When on the chosen of the Lord
The Holy Spirit was outpoured.

2 On each the fire, descending, stood
In quivering tongues' similitude—
Tongues, that their words might ready prove,
And fire, to make them flame with love.

3 To all in every tongue they spoke;
Amazement in the crowd awoke,
Who mocked, as overcome with wine,
Those who were filled with power divine.

4 These things were done in type that day,
When Eastertide had passed away,
The number told which once set free
The captive at the jubilee.

5 And now, O holy God, this day
Regard us as we humbly pray,
And send us, from thy heavenly seat,
The blessings of the Paraclete.

6. To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, praise be done;
May Christ the Lord upon us pour
The Spirit's gift for evermore. Amen.

152 *Bianco da Siena, d.* 1434. *Tr. R. F. Littledale.*

Discendi, Amor santo.

COME down, O Love divine,
Seek thou this soul of mine,
And visit it with thine own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
Within my heart appear,
And kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

2 O let it freely burn,
Till earthly passions turn
To dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
And let thy glorious light
Shine ever on my sight,
And clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

3 Let holy charity
Mine outward vesture be,
And lowliness become mine inner clothing;
True lowliness of heart,
Which takes the humbler part,
And o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

4 And so the yearning strong,
With which the soul will long,
Shall far outpass the power of human telling;
For none can guess its grace,
Till he become the place
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

153 *Bishop J. Cosin*, 1594–1672. *Based on* Veni, Creator Spiritus.

COME, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire;
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart:

2 Thy blessèd unction from above
Is comfort, life, and fire of love;
Enable with perpetual light
The dullness of our blinded sight:

3 Anoint and cheer our soilèd face
With the abundance of thy grace:
Keep far our foes, give peace at home;
Where thou art guide no ill can come.

4. Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And thee, of Both, to be but One;
That through the ages all along
This may be our endless song,
Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

154 *Terce.* *Before* 10*th cent.* *Tr. and rev. Y. H.*
Veni, Creator Spiritus.

COME, O Creator Spirit, come,
And make within our hearts thy home;
To us thy grace celestial give,
Who of thy breathing move and live.

2 O Comforter, that name is thine,
Of God most high the gift divine;
The well of life, the fire of love,
Our souls' anointing from above.

3 Thou dost appear in sevenfold dower
The sign of God's almighty power;
The Father's promise, making rich
With saving truth our earthly speech.

4 Our senses with thy light inflame,
Our hearts to heavenly love reclaim;
Our bodies' poor infirmity
With strength perpetual fortify.

5 Our mortal foe afar repel,
Grant us henceforth in peace to dwell;
And so to us, with thee for guide,
No ill shall come, no harm betide.

6. May we by thee the Father learn,
And know the Son, and thee discern,
Who art of both; and thus adore
In perfect faith for evermore. Amen.

155 *The Golden Sequence.* 13*th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Veni, sancte Spiritus.

COME, thou holy Paraclete,
And from thy celestial seat
Send thy light and brilliancy:
Father of the poor, draw near;
Giver of all gifts, be here;
Come, the soul's true radiancy:

2 Come, of comforters the best,
Of the soul the sweetest guest,
Come in toil refreshingly:
Thou in labour rest most sweet,
Thou art shadow from the heat,
Comfort in adversity.

3 O thou Light, most pure and blest,
Shine within the inmost breast
Of thy faithful company.
Where thou art not, man hath nought;
Every holy deed and thought
Comes from thy Divinity.

4 What is soilèd, make thou pure;
What is wounded, work its cure·
What is parchèd, fructify;

What is rigid, gently bend;
What is frozen, warmly tend;
Strengthen what goes erringly.

5. Fill thy faithful, who confide
In thy power to guard and guide,
With thy sevenfold Mystery.
Here thy grace and virtue send:
Grant salvation in the end,
And in heaven felicity.

156 *J. Dryden*, 1631–1701. *Based on* Veni, Creator Spiritus.

CREATOR Spirit, by whose aid
The world's foundations first were laid,
Come, visit every pious mind;
Come, pour thy joys on human kind;
From sin and sorrow set us free,
And make thy temples worthy thee.

2 O Source of uncreated light,
The Father's promised Paraclete,
Thrice holy Fount, thrice holy Fire,
Our hearts with heavenly love inspire;
Come, and thy sacred unction bring
To sanctify us while we sing.

3 Plenteous of grace, descend from high
Rich in thy sevenfold energy;
Make us eternal truths receive,
And practise all that we believe;
Give us thyself, that we may see
The Father and the Son by thee.

4. Immortal honour, endless fame,
Attend the almighty Father's name;
The Saviour Son be glorified,
Who for lost man's redemption died;
And equal adoration be,
Eternal Paraclete, to thee. Amen.

157

Harriet Auber, 1773–1862.

OUR blest Redeemer, ere he breathed
His tender last farewell,
A Guide, a Comforter, bequeathed
With us to dwell.

2 He came in tongues of living flame,
To teach, convince, subdue;
All-powerful as the wind he came,
As viewless too.

3 He came sweet influence to impart,
A gracious, willing Guest,
While he can find one humble heart
Wherein to rest.

4 And his that gentle voice we hear,
Soft as the breath of even,
That checks each fault, that calms each fear,
And speaks of heaven.

5 And every virtue we possess,
And every victory won,
And every thought of holiness,
Are his alone.

6. Spirit of purity and grace,
Our weakness, pitying, see:
O make our hearts thy dwelling-place,
And worthier thee.

158

J. Keble, 1792–1866.

WHEN God of old came down from heaven,
In power and wrath he came;
Before his feet the clouds were riven,
Half darkness and half flame:

2 But when he came the second time,
He came in power and love;
Softer than gale at morning prime
Hovered his holy Dove.

3 The fires that rushed on Sinai down
In sudden torrents dread,
Now gently light, a glorious crown,
On every sainted head.

4 And as on Israel's awe-struck ear
The voice exceeding loud,
The trump, that Angels quake to hear,
Thrilled from the deep dark cloud ;

5 So, when the Spirit of our God
Came down his flock to find,
A voice from heaven was heard abroad,
A rushing mighty wind.

6 It fills the Church of God ; it fills
The sinful world around ;
Only in stubborn hearts and wills
No place for it is found.

7. Come Lord, come Wisdom, Love, and Power,
Open our ears to hear ;
Let us not miss the accepted hour ;
Save, Lord, by love or fear.

The following are also suitable :

145 (*Pt.* 2) Holy Ghost, Illuminator.
384 Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round.
393 Glorious things of thee are spoken.
396 Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost.
438 Love of the Father.
453 O Holy Spirit, Lord of grace.
454 O King enthroned on high.
458 O Lord of hosts, all heaven possessing.

TRINITY SUNDAY.

See also: 632 Eternal Light, Divinity.
633 All hail, adorèd Trinity.

159 OFFICE HYMN. E. *and* M. *c. 10th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Adesto, sancta Trinitas.

BE present, Holy Trinity,
Like splendour, and one Deity:
Of things above, and things below,
Beginning, that no end shall know.

2 Thee all the armies of the sky
Adore, and laud, and magnify;
And Nature, in her triple frame,
For ever sanctifies thy name.

3 And we, too, thanks and homage pay,
Thine own adoring flock to-day;
O join to that celestial song
The praises of our suppliant throng!

4 Light, sole and one, we thee confess,
With triple praise we rightly bless;
Alpha and Omega we own,
With every spirit round thy throne.

5. To thee, O unbegotten One,
And thee, O sole-begotten Son,
And thee, O Holy Ghost, we raise
Our equal and eternal praise. Amen.

160 OFFICE HYMN. M. *c. 10th cent. Tr. P. D.*

O Pater sancte.

FATHER most holy, merciful and tender;
Jesus our Saviour, with the Father reigning;
Spirit all-kindly, Advocate, Defender,
Light never waning;

2 Trinity sacred, Unity unshaken ;
Deity perfect, giving and forgiving,
Light of the Angels, Life of the forsaken,
Hope of all living ;

3 Maker of all things, all thy creatures praise thee ;
Lo, all things serve thee through thy whole creation :
Hear us, Almighty, hear us as we raise thee
Heart's adoration.

4. To the all-ruling triune God be glory :
Highest and greatest, help thou our endeavour ,
We too would praise thee, giving honour worthy,
Now and for ever. Amen.

161 *Suitable also for other occasions. F. W. Faber*, 1814–63.

HAVE mercy on us, God most high,
Who lift our hearts to thee ;
Have mercy on us, worms of earth,
Most holy Trinity.

Part 2.

2 Most ancient of all mysteries,
Before thy throne we lie ;
Have mercy now, most merciful,
Most holy Trinity.

3 When heaven and earth were yet unmade,
When time was yet unknown,
Thou in thy bliss and majesty
Didst live and love alone.

4 Thou wert not born ; there was no fount
From which thy Being flowed ;
There is no end which thou canst reach ;
But thou art simply God.

5 How wonderful creation is,
The work which thou didst bless,
And O ! what then must thou be like,
Eternal loveliness !

6 How beautiful the Angels are,
The Saints how bright in bliss;
But with thy beauty, Lord, compared,
How dull, how poor is this!

7 O listen then, most pitiful,
To thy poor creature's heart:
It blesses thee that thou art God,
That thou art what thou art.

8. Most ancient of all mysteries,
Still at thy throne we lie:
Have mercy now, most merciful,
Most holy Trinity.

162 *Suitable also for other occasions.* *Bishop R. Heber,* 1783-1826.

HOLY, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessèd Trinity!

2 Holy, Holy, Holy! all the Saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and Seraphim falling down before thee,
Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

3 Holy, Holy, Holy! though the darkness hide thee,
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
Only thou art holy, there is none beside thee
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

4. Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessèd Trinity! Amen.

163 *Metrophanes, Bishop of Smyrna, c. 900.*
Tr. J. M. Neale.

Τριφεγγὴς μονὰς θεαρχική.

O UNITY of threefold light,
Send out thy loveliest ray,
And scatter our transgressions' night,
And turn it into day;
Make us those temples pure and fair
Thy glory loveth well,
The spotless tabernacles, where
Thou may'st vouchsafe to dwell.

2 The glorious hosts of peerless might,
That ever see thy face,
Thou mak'st the mirrors of thy light,
The vessels of thy grace.
Thou, when their wondrous strain they weave,
Hast pleasure in the lay:
Deign thus our praises to receive,
Albeit from lips of clay.

3. And yet thyself they cannot know,
Nor pierce the veil of light
That hides thee from the Thrones below,
As in profoundest night.
How then can mortal accents frame
Due tribute to their King?
Thou, only, while we praise thy name,
Forgive us as we sing.

The following are also suitable:

372 Bright the vision that delighted.
384 Eternal Ruler.
387 Father of heaven, whose love profound.
404 How shall I sing.
407 Immortal, invisible, God only wise.

FROM TRINITY SUNDAY TILL ADVENT.

164 OFFICE HYMN. *Saturdays.* E.
St. Ambrose, 340–97. *Tr. J. M. Neale.*

O Lux beata Trinitas.

O TRINITY of blessèd light,
O Unity of princely might,
The fiery sun now goes his way;
Shed thou within our hearts thy ray.

2 To thee our morning song of praise,
To thee our evening prayer we raise;
Thy glory suppliant we adore
For ever and for evermore.

3. All laud to God the Father be;
All praise, eternal Son, to thee;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To God the holy Paraclete. Amen.

165 OFFICE HYMN. *Sundays and week-days.* M.
Ascr. to St. Gregory the Great. 6th cent. Tr. P. D.

Nocte surgentes.

FATHER, we praise thee, now the night is over,
Active and watchful, stand we all before thee;
Singing we offer prayer and meditation:
Thus we adore thee.

2 Monarch of all things, fit us for thy mansions;
Banish our weakness, health and wholeness sending;
Bring us to heaven, where thy Saints united
Joy without ending.

3. All-holy Father, Son and equal Spirit,
Trinity blessèd, send us thy salvation;
Thine is the glory, gleaming and resounding
Through all creation. Amen.

The evening Office Hymn for Sunday, and for every day except Saturday, is:

51 O blest Creator of the light.

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J. M. Neale, 1818–66.

CHRIST is gone up; yet ere he passed
From earth, in heaven to reign,
He formed one holy Church to last
Till he should come again.

2 His twelve Apostles first he made
His ministers of grace;
And they their hands on others laid,
To fill in turn their place.

3 So age by age, and year by year,
His grace was handed on;
And still the holy Church is here,
Although her Lord is gone.

4. Let those find pardon, Lord, from thee,
Whose love to her is cold:
And bring them in, and let there be
One Shepherd and one Fold.

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J. Montgomery‡, 1771–1854.

POUR out thy Spirit from on high;
Lord, thine assembled servants bless;
Graces and gifts to each supply,
And clothe thy priests with righteousness.

2 Within the temple when they stand,
To teach the truth, as taught by thee,
Saviour, like stars in thy right hand
May all thy Church's pastors be.

3 Wisdom, and zeal, and faith impart,
Firmness with meekness, from above,
To bear thy people in their heart,
And love the souls whom thou dost love:

4 To watch, and pray, and never faint,
By day and night, strict guard to keep,
To warn the sinner, cheer the saint,
Nourish thy lambs, and feed thy sheep.

5. Then, when their work is finished here,
May they in hope their charge resign;
When the Chief Shepherd shall appear,
O God, may they and we be thine.

168 *J. M. Neale*, 1818–66.

THE earth, O Lord, is one great field
Of all thy chosen seed;
The crop prepared its fruit to yield;
The labourers few indeed.

2 We therefore come before thee now
By fasting and by prayer,
Beseeching of thy love that thou
Wouldst send more labourers there.

3 Not for our land alone we pray,
Though that above the rest;
The realms and islands far away,
O let them all be blest.

4 Endue the bishops of thy flock
With wisdom and with grace,
Against false doctrine, like a rock,
To set the heart and face:

5 To all thy priests thy truth reveal,
And make thy judgements clear;
Make thou thy deacons full of zeal
And humble and sincere:

6. And give their flocks a lowly mind
To hear and not in vain;
That each and all may mercy find
When thou shalt come again.

DEDICATION FESTIVAL.

See also: **634** Hail thee, Festival day.
635 Eternal Power, whose high abode.
636 Only-begotten, Word of God eternal.
637 Lo! God is here! let us adore.

169 OFFICE HYMN. E. *and* M. *c. 7th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale*‡.

Urbs beata Jerusalem.

BLESSÈD City, heavenly Salem,
Vision dear of peace and love,
Who, of living stones upbuilded,
Art the joy of heaven above,
And, with Angel cohorts circled,
As a bride to earth dost move!

2 From celestial realms descending,
Bridal glory round her shed,
To his presence, decked with jewels,
By her Lord shall she be led:
All her streets, and all her bulwarks,
Of pure gold are fashionèd.

3 Bright with pearls her portals glitter,
They are open evermore;
And, by virtue of his merits,
Thither faithful souls may soar,
Who for Christ's dear name in this world
Pain and tribulation bore.

4 Many a blow and biting sculpture
Fashioned well those stones elect,
In their places now compacted
By the heavenly Architect,
Who therewith hath willed for ever
That his palace should be decked.

5 Laud and honour to the Father;
Laud and honour to the Son;
Laud and honour to the Spirit;
Ever Three, and ever One:
Consubstantial, co-eternal,
While unending ages run. Amen.

170 OFFICE HYMN. M. *and* E. *c. 7th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Angularis fundamentum.

CHRIST is made the sure Foundation,
And the precious Corner-stone,
Who, the two walls underlying,
Bound in each, binds both in one,
Holy Sion's help for ever,
And her confidence alone.

2 All that dedicated City,
Dearly loved by God on high,
In exultant jubilation
Pours perpetual melody:
God the One, and God the Trinal,
Singing everlastingly.

3 To this temple, where we call thee,
Come, O Lord of Hosts, to-day;
With thy wonted loving-kindness
Hear thy people as they pray;
And thy fullest benediction
Shed within its walls for ay.

4 Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
What they supplicate to gain;
Here to have and hold for ever
Those good things their prayers obtain,
And hereafter in thy glory
With thy blessèd ones to reign.

5. Laud and honour to the Father;
Laud and honour to the Son;
Laud and honour to the Spirit;
Ever Three and ever One:
Consubstantial, co-eternal,
While unending ages run. Amen.

171 *C. Guiet*, 1601–64. *Tr. I. Williams*‡.

Patris aeterni suboles coaeva.

O WORD of God above,
Who fillest all in all,
Hallow this house with thy sure love,
And bless our festival.

2* Grace in this font is stored
To cleanse each guilty child;
The Spirit's blest anointing poured
Brightens the once defiled.

3 Here Christ of his own Blood
Himself the chalice gives,
And feeds his own with Angels' food,
On which the spirit lives.

4 For guilty souls that pine
Sure mercies here abound,
And healing grace with oil and wine
For every secret wound.

5 God from his throne afar,
Comes in this house to dwell;
And prayer, beyond the evening star,
Builds here her citadel.

6. All might, all praise be thine,
The God whom all adore;
The Father, Son, and Spirit divine,
Both now and evermore. Amen.

172 *Sequence.* *Asc. to Adam of St. Victor, c.* 1170. *Tr. G. G.*

Jerusalem et Sion filiae.

SION'S daughters! Sons of Jerusalem!
All ye hosts of heavenly chivalry!
Lift your voices, singing right merrily
Alleluya!

2 Christ our Saviour weds on this festival
Holy Church, the Pattern of Righteousness,
Whom from depths of uttermost misery
He hath rescued.

3 Now the Bride receiveth his benison,
Tasteth now the joys of the Paraclete;
Kings and queens with jubilant melody
Call her blessèd.

4 Mother meet for sinful humanity,
Life's sure haven, rest for the sorrowful,
Strong protectress, born in a mystery
Ever wondrous.

5 Not more fair the moon in her loveliness!
Not more bright the sun in his majesty!
Like an army splendid and terrible,
Ranged for battle—

6 So the Church shines forth on her pilgrimage,
Signed with Jordan's waters of penitence,
Drawn to hear the wisdom of Solomon,
From the world's end.

7 * So, foretold by figures and prophecies,
Clothed in nuptial vesture of charity,
Joined with Christ, o'er heaven's glad citizens
Now she reigneth.

8 * Welcome! feast of light and felicity,
Bride to Bridegroom joining in unity;
In her mystic marriage is typified
Our salvation.

9. Christ, whose joys we joyfully celebrate,
Grant us all a place with thy chosen ones,
True delights, ineffable happiness,
Rest eternal.

The above Hymns are suitable for a Dedication Festival only. For a Patronal Festival, see Nos. 195-204 *and the Proper Saints' Day Hymns.*

DEDICATION OR RESTORATION OF A CHURCH.

173 *J. G. Whittier*, 1807–92.

ALL things are thine; no gift have we,
Lord of all gifts, to offer thee:
And hence with grateful hearts to-day
Thine own before thy feet we lay.

2 Thy will was in the builders' thought;
Thy hand unseen amidst us wrought;
Through mortal motive, scheme and plan,
Thy wise eternal purpose ran.

3 In weakness and in want we call
On thee for whom the heavens are small;
Thy glory is thy children's good,
Thy joy thy tender Fatherhood.

4. O Father, deign these walls to bless;
Fill with thy love their emptiness;
And let their door a gateway be
To lead us from ourselves to thee.

For a Dedication Festival, or *for a Special Service of Dedication, the following are also suitable:*

450 O God, our help in ages past.
472 Pray that Jerusalem may have.
489 The Church's one foundation.
508 We love the place, O God.
533 Now thank we all our God.
534 Praise the Lord of heaven; praise him in the height.
535 Praise the Lord! ye heavens, adore him.
536 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty.
537 Rejoice to-day with one accord.
544 O Faith of England, taught of old.

Part II.

SAINTS' DAYS: GENERAL.

APOSTLES AND EVANGELISTS.

See also for Procession on any Saint's Day:

638 Jerusalem, my happy home.
639 The Church triumphant in thy love.
641 For all the Saints.

174 Office Hymn. *Common of Apostles and Evangelists.*
E. *and* M. *Before* 11*th cent. Tr. T. A. L.*

Annue Christe saeculorum Domine.

LORD of Creation, bow thine ear, O Christ, to hear
The intercession of thy servant true and dear,
That we unworthy, who have trespassed in thy sight,
May live before thee where he dwells in glorious light.

2 O God our Saviour, look on thine inheritance,
Sealed by the favour shining from thy countenance;
That no false spirit bring to nought the souls of price
Bought by the merit of thy perfect Sacrifice.

3 We bear the burden of our guilt and enmity,
Until thy pardon lift the heart from slavery;
Then through the spending of thy life-blood, King of grace,
Grant us unending triumph in thy holy place.

4. To thee the glorious Christ, our Saviour manifest,
All wreaths victorious, praise and worship be addrest,
Whom with the living Father humbly we adore,
And the life-giving Spirit, God for evermore.
Amen.

175 OFFICE HYMN. *Common of Apostles and Evangelists.*
(*York*) M. *Before* 11*th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.*
Aeterna Christi munera.

THE eternal gifts of Christ the King,
The Apostles' glorious deeds, we sing;
And while due hymns of praise we pay,
Our thankful hearts cast grief away.

2 The Church in these her princes boasts,
These victor chiefs of warrior hosts;
The soldiers of the heavenly hall,
The lights that rose on earth for all.

3 'Twas thus the yearning faith of Saints,
The unconquered hope that never faints,
The love of Christ that knows not shame,
The prince of this world overcame.

4 In these the Father's glory shone;
In these the will of God the Son;
In these exults the Holy Ghost;
Through these rejoice the heavenly host.

5. Redeemer, hear us of thy love,
That, with this glorious band above,
Hereafter, of thine endless grace,
Thy servants also may have place. Amen.

176 OFFICE HYMN. *Common of Apostles and Evangelists.*
M. *and* E. *c.* 10*th cent. Tr. Bishop R. Mant* ‡.
Exultet caelum laudibus.

LET the round world with songs rejoice;
Let heaven return the joyful voice;
All mindful of the Apostles' fame,
Let heaven and earth their praise proclaim.

2 Ye servants who once bore the light
Of Gospel truth o'er heathen night,
Still may your work that light impart,
To glad our eyes and cheer our heart.

3 O God, by whom to them was given
The key that shuts and opens heaven,
Our chains unbind, our loss repair,
And grant us grace to enter there;

4 For at thy will they preached the word
Which cured disease, which health conferred:
O may that healing power once more
Our souls to grace and health restore:

5 That when thy Son again shall come,
And speak the world's unerring doom,
He may with them pronounce us blest,
And place us in thy endless rest.

6. To thee, O Father; Son, to thee;
To thee, blest Spirit, glory be!
So was it ay for ages past,
So shall through endless ages last. Amen.

Office Hymn for Apostles and Evangelists during Eastertide. E. *and* M. 123, *Part* 2; *and for* M. *and* E. 124, *Part* 2.

177 *Apostles.* *J.-B. de Santeüil*, 1630–97. *Tr. Sir H. W. Baker.*

Caelestis aulae principes.

CAPTAINS of the saintly band,
Lights who lighten every land,
Princes who with Jesus dwell,
Judges of his Israel:

2 On the nations sunk in night
Ye have shed the Gospel light;
Sin and error flee away;
Truth reveals the promised day.

3 Not by warrior's spear and sword,
Not by art of human word,
Preaching but the Cross of shame,
Rebel hearts for Christ ye tame.

4 Earth, that long in sin and pain
Groaned in Satan's deadly chain,
Now to serve its God is free
In the law of liberty.

5 Distant lands with one acclaim
Tell the honour of your name,
Who, wherever man has trod,
Teach the mysteries of God.

6. Glory to the Three in One
While eternal ages run,
Who from deepest shades of night
Called us to his glorious light. Amen.

Or the following:
239 *Saints of God! Lo, Jesu's people*

178 *J.-B. de Santeüil*, 1630–97. *Tr. I. Williams* ‡.
Supreme, quales, Arbiter.

DISPOSER supreme, and Judge of the earth,
Who choosest for thine the weak and the poor;
To frail earthen vessels, and things of no worth,
Entrusting thy riches which ay shall endure;

2 Those vessels soon fail, though full of thy light,
And at thy decree are broken and gone;
Then brightly appeareth the arm of thy might,
As through the clouds breaking the lightnings have shone.

3 Like clouds are they borne to do thy great will,
And swift as the winds about the world go;
All full of thy Godhead, while earth lieth still,
They thunder, they lighten, the waters o'erflow.

4* Their sound goeth forth, 'Christ Jesus is Lord!
Then Satan doth fear, his citadels fall:
As when the dread trumpets went forth at thy word,
And one long blast shattered the Canaanites' [wall.

5 O loud be their trump, and stirring the sound,
To rouse us, O Lord, from sin's deadly sleep;
May lights which thou kindlest in darkness around
The dull soul awaken her vigils to keep!

6. All honour and praise, dominion and might,
To thee, Three in One, eternally be,
Who pouring around us thy glorious light,
Dost call us from darkness thy glory to see.
Amen.

179 *Sequence. Evangelists. Adam of St. Victor*, c. 1170.
Tr. Jackson Mason.

Plausu chorus laetabundo.

COME sing, ye choirs exultant,
Those messengers of God,
Through whom the living Gospels
Came sounding all abroad!
Whose voice proclaimed salvation
That poured upon the night,
And drove away the shadows,
And flushed the world with light.

2 He chose them, our Good Shepherd,
And, tending evermore
His flock through earth's four quarters,
In wisdom made them four;
True Lawgiver, he bade them
Their healing message spread,
One charter for all nations,
One glorious title-deed.

3* In one harmonious witness
The chosen Four combine,
While each his own commission
Fulfils in every line;
As, in the Prophet's vision,
From out the amber flame
In form of visage diverse
Four living creatures came.

4* Lo, these the wingèd chariots
That bring Emmanuel nigh;
The golden staves uplifting
The ark of God on high;
And these the fourfold river
Of Paradise above,
Whence flow for all the nations
New mysteries of love.

5. Foursquare on this foundation
The Church of Christ remains,
A house to stand unshaken
By floods or winds or rains.
O glorious happy portion
In this safe home to be,
By God, true Man, united
With God eternally!

MARTYRS.

180 OFFICE HYMN. *Common of one Martyr.* E. *and* M.
c. 10th cent. Tr. P. D.

Martyr Dei qui unicum.

MARTYR of God, whose strength was steeled
To follow close God's only Son,
Well didst thou brave thy battlefield,
And well thy heavenly bliss was won!

2 Now join thy prayers with ours, who pray
That God may pardon us and bless;
For prayer keeps evil's plague away,
And draws from life its weariness.

3 Long, long ago, were loosed the chains
That held thy body once in thrall;
For us how many a bond remains!
O Love of God release us all.

4. All praise to God the Father be,
All praise to thee, eternal Son;
All praise, O Holy Ghost, to thee,
While never-ending ages run. **Amen.**

181 OFFICE HYMN. *Common of one Martyr.* M. *and* E.
6th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.

Deus, tuorum militum.

O GOD, thy soldiers' crown and guard,
And their exceeding great reward;
From all transgressions set us free,
Who sing thy Martyr's victory.

2 The pleasures of the world he spurned,
From sin's pernicious lures he turned;
He knew their joys imbued with gall,
And thus he reached thy heavenly hall.

3 For thee through many a woe he ran,
In many a fight he played the man;
For thee his blood he dared to pour,
And thence hath joy for evermore.

4 We therefore pray thee, full of love,
Regard us from thy throne above;
On this thy Martyr's triumph day,
Wash every stain of sin away.

5. O Christ, most loving King, to thee,
With God the Father, glory be;
Like glory, as is ever meet,
To God the holy Paraclete. Amen.

182 OFFICE HYMN. *Common of many Martyrs.* E. *and* M.
8th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.

Sanctorum meritis.

THE merits of the Saints,
Blessèd for evermore,
Their love that never faints,
The toils they bravely bore—
For these the Church to-day
Pours forth her joyous lay—
These victors win the noblest bay.

2 They, whom this world of ill,
  While it yet held, abhorred;
Its withering flowers that still
  They spurned with one accord—
They knew them short-lived all,
And followed at thy call,
King Jesu, to thy heavenly hall.

3 Like sheep their blood they poured;
  And without groan or tear,
They bent before the sword
  For that their King most dear:
Their souls, serenely blest,
In patience they possest,
And looked in hope towards their rest.

4 What tongue may here declare,
  Fancy or thought descry,
The joys thou dost prepare
  For these thy Saints on high!
Empurpled in the flood
Of their victorious blood,
They won the laurel from their God.

5. To thee, O Lord most high,
  One in Three Persons still,
To pardon us we cry,
  And to preserve from ill:
Here give thy servants peace,
Hereafter glad release,
And pleasures that shall never cease. Amen.

183 OFFICE HYMN. *Common of many Martyrs.* M. *and* E. *c. 6th cent. Tr. R. F. Littledale and others.*

Rex gloriose Martyrum.

O GLORIOUS King of Martyr hosts,
Thou Crown that each Confessor boasts,
Who leadest to celestial day
The Saints who cast earth's joys away:

2 Thine ear in mercy, Saviour, lend,
While unto thee our prayers ascend;
And as we count their triumphs won,
Forgive the sins that we have done.

3 Martyrs in thee their triumphs gain,
Confessors grace from thee obtain;
We sinners humbly seek to thee,
From sin's offence to set us free.

4. All laud to God the Father be,
All praise, eternal Son, to thee;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To God the holy Paraclete. Amen.

184 *Sequence.* *Before 12th cent.* *Tr. J. M. Neale.*

O beata beatorum,

BLESSÈD Feasts of blessèd Martyrs,
Saintly days of saintly men,
With affection's recollections
Greet we your return again.

2 Mighty deeds they wrought, and wonders,
While a frame of flesh they bore;
We with meetest praise and sweetest
Honour them for evermore.

3 Faith unblenching, hope unquenching,
Well-loved Lord, and single heart,—
Thus they glorious and victorious
Bore the Martyr's happy part.

4*Blood in slaughter poured like water,
Torments long and heavy chain,
Flame, and axe, and laceration,
They endured, and conquered pain.

5*While they passed through divers tortures,
Till they sank by death oppresst,
Earth's rejected were elected
To have portion with the blest.

6 By contempt of worldly pleasures,
And by mighty battles done,
Have they merited with Angels
To be knit for ay in one.

7 Wherefore made co-heirs of glory,
Ye that sit with Christ on high,
Join to ours your supplications,
As for grace and peace we cry;

8. That, this weary life completed,
And its many labours past,
We may merit to be seated
In our Father's home at last.

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Prudentius, b. 348. *Tr. A. R.*

Beate Martyr, prospera.

BLEST Martyr, let thy triumph-day
God's favouring grace to us convey;
The day on which thy life-blood flowed
And he thy crown in meed bestowed.

2 Thy soul to heavenly mansions sped
While this world's gloomy shadows fled;
The judge and torturer o'erthrown,
Christ claimed the victor for his own.

3 Now consort of the Angels bright
Thou shinest clothed in robes of white;
Robes thou hast washed in streams of blood,
A dauntless Martyr for thy God.

4 Be thou on this thy holy-day
Our strong upholder; while we pray
That from our guilt we may be freed,
Stand thou before the throne and plead.

5. All laud to God the Father be,
All praise, eternal Son, to thee;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To God the holy Paraclete. Amen.

186 *A. R.*

COME, let us join the Church above
The Martyr's praise to sing,
That soldier true who gave to-day
His life-blood for his King.

2 To-day through heaven the cry rang out,
'Great God, the fight is done!
Room for the Victor! lo, his crown
Christ's valiant Saint hath won!'

3 The Martyr's triumph shall endure,
His fame time cannot dim:
See how he calls on one and all
To rise and follow him!

4 We know that in our Saviour Christ
The blest our troubles heed;
That Saints in heaven to saints on earth
Are very near indeed.

5 The cloud of witnesses look down,
They cheer us on to fight;
To God their prayers go up that he
May lead their friends aright.

6 Brave Martyr, we will follow till
To God we yield our breath;
And learn from thee to spurn the world
And mock at pain and death!

7. To Christ, for whom the Martyrs die,
All laud and glory be,
With Father, and with Holy Ghost,
To all eternity. Amen.

187 *St. Joseph the Hymnographer, d.* 883. *Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Τῶν ἱερῶν ἀθλοφόρων.

LET our choir new anthems raise,
Wake the morn with gladness;
God himself to joy and praise
Turns the Martyrs' sadness:

This the day that won their crown,
Opened heaven's bright portal,
As they laid the mortal down
And put on the immortal.

2 Never flinched they from the flame,
From the torture never;
Vain the foeman's sharpest aim,
Satan's best endeavour:
For by faith they saw the land
Decked in all its glory,
Where triumphant now they stand
With the victor's story.

3. Up and follow, Christian men!
Press through toil and sorrow;
Spurn the night of fear, and then,
O, the glorious morrow!
Who will venture on the strife?
Who will first begin it?
Who will grasp the land of life?
Warriors, up and win it!

FOR A CONFESSOR.

188 OFFICE HYMN. *Common of a Confessor.* E. *and* M. *8th cent. Tr. L. H.*

Iste Confessor.

HE, whose confession God of old accepted,
Whom through the ages all now hold in honour,
Gaining his guerdon this day came to enter
Heaven's high portal.

2 God-fearing, watchful, pure of mind and body,
Holy and humble, thus did all men find him;
While, through his members, to the life immortal
Mortal life called him.

3 Thus to the weary, from the life enshrinèd,
Potent in virtue, flowed humane compassion;
Sick and sore laden, howsoever burdened,
There they found healing.

4 So now in chorus, giving God the glory,
Raise we our anthem gladly to his honour,
That in fair kinship we may all be sharers
Here and hereafter.

5. Honour and glory, power and salvation,
Be in the highest unto him who reigneth
Changeless in heaven over earthly changes,
Triune, eternal. Amen.

189 OFFICE HYMN. *Common of a Confessor (in full).*
M *and* E. *8th cent. Tr. R. M. B.*
Part 2. *For a Matron.* (*York.*)

Jesu, Redemptor omnium.

O THOU whose all-redeeming might
Crowns every chief in faith's true fight,
On this commemoration day
Hear us, good Jesu, while we pray.

2 In faithful strife for thy dear name
Thy servant earned the saintly fame,
Which pious hearts with praise revere
In constant memory year by year.

Part 2.

3 Earth's fleeting joys *he* counted nought,
For higher, truer joys *he* sought,
And now, with Angels round thy throne,
Unfading treasures are *his* own.

4 O grant that we, most gracious God,
May follow in the steps *he* trod;
And, freed from every stain of sin,
As *he* hath won may also win.

5. To thee, O Christ, our loving King,
All glory, praise, and thanks we bring;
Whom with the Father we adore
And Holy Ghost for evermore. Amen.

190 *For a Bishop.* *V. S. S. C.*

O SHEPHERD of the sheep,
High Priest of things to come,
Who didst in grace thy servant keep,
And take him safely home:

2 Accept our song of praise
For all his holy care,
His zeal unquenched through length of days,
The trials that he bare.

3 Chief of thy faithful band,
He held himself the least,
Though thy dread keys were in his hand,
O everlasting Priest.

4 So, trusting in thy might,
He won a fair renown;
So, waxing valiant in the fight,
He trod the lion down;

5 Then rendered up to thee
The charge thy love had given,
And passed away thy face to see
Revealed in highest heaven.

6 On all our bishops pour
The Spirit of thy grace;
That, as he won the palm of yore,
So they may run their race;

7. That, when this life is done,
They may with him adore
The ever-blessèd Three in One,
In bliss for evermore.

FOR A VIRGIN.

191 OFFICE HYMN. *Common of a Virgin (in full).* E. *and* M. *8th cent. Tr. L. H.*
Part 2. *For a Matron.* (*York.*)

Virginis Proles.

SON of a Virgin, Maker of thy mother,
Thou, Rod and Blossom from a Stem unstained,
Now while a Virgin fair of fame we honour,
Hear our devotion!

2 Lo, on thy handmaid fell a twofold blessing,
Who, in her body vanquishing the weakness,
In that same body, grace from heaven obtaining,
Bore the world witness.

3 Death, nor the rending pains of death appalled her;
Bondage and torment found her undefeated:
So by the shedding of her life attained she
Heavenly guerdon.

Part 2.

4 Fountain of mercy, hear the prayers she offers;
Purge our offences, pardon our transgressions,
So that hereafter we to thee may render
Praise with thanksgiving.

5. Thou, the All-Father, thou the One-Begotten,
Thou Holy Spirit, Three in One co-equal,
Glory be henceforth thine through all the ages,
World without ending. Amen.

192 OFFICE HYMN. *Common of a Virgin.* M. *and* E.
St. Ambrose, 340–97. *Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Jesu, Corona Virginum.

JESU, the Virgins' Crown, do thou
Accept us as in prayer we bow;
Born of that Virgin whom alone
The Mother and the Maid we own.

2 Amongst the lilies thou dost feed,
With Virgin choirs accompanied—
With glory decked, the spotless brides
Whose bridal gifts thy love provides.

3 They, wheresoe'er thy footsteps bend,
With hymns and praises still attend;
In blessèd troops they follow thee,
With dance, and song, and melody.

4 We pray thee therefore to bestow
Upon our senses here below
Thy grace, that so we may endure
From taint of all corruption pure.

5. All laud to God the Father be,
All praise, eternal Son, to thee;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To God the holy Paraclete. Amen.

FOR A MATRON.

193 *Silvio Antoniano, b.* 1540. *Tr. A. R.*

Fortem, virili pectore.

THE praises of that Saint we sing,
To whom all lands their tribute bring,
Who with indomitable heart
Bore throughout life true woman's part.

2 Restraining every froward sense
By gentle bonds of abstinence,
With prayer her hungry soul she fed,
And thus to heavenly joys hath sped.

3 King Christ, from whom all virtue springs,
Who only doest wondrous things,
As now to thee she kneels in prayer,
In mercy our petitions hear.

4. All praise to God the Father be,
All praise, eternal Son, to thee;
Whom with the Spirit we adore
For ever and for evermore. Amen.

FOR A VIGIL.

194 *St. Ephraim the Syrian, d. 373. Tr. F. C. B.*

Qabbel, Mâran, bâ'ûth kullan.

RECEIVE, O Lord, in heaven above
Our prayers and supplications pure;
Give us a heart all full of love
And steady courage to endure.

2 Thy holy name our mouths confess,
Our tongues are harps to praise thy grace;
Forgive our sins and wickedness,
Who in this vigil seek thy face.

3 Let not our song become a sigh,
A wail of anguish and despair;
In loving-kindness, Lord most high,
Receive to-night our evening prayer.

4. O raise us in that day, that we
May sing, where all thy Saints adore,
Praise to thy Father, and to thee,
And to thy Spirit, evermore. Amen.

FOR A PATRONAL FESTIVAL.

195 *St. Paulinus of Nola, 353–431. Tr. A. R.*

Ecce dies nobis.

ANOTHER year completed,
The day comes round once more
Which with our patron's radiance
Is bright as heretofore.
Now, strong in hope, united
His festival we greet;
He will present our troubles
Before the mercy-seat.

2 The Scriptures tell how Moses
Did for the people pray,
Appeased the Judge eternal,
And turned his wrath away;
Elijah's prayer had power,
To close and open heaven:

Such Saints as were aforetime,
Such Saints to us are given.

3 O Saint of God, belovèd,
And placed on his right hand,
Thy prayers be like a rampart
As 'gainst the foe we stand;
For Abraham's God is thy God,
And Isaac's God is thine,
Thine is the God of Jacob,
The Lord of power benign.

4. For forty years his Israel
He fed with Angels' food;
The flinty rock he opened
And streams of water flowed.
Entreat that Christ his people
May lead to victory;
The God of Joshua's triumph
The Lord thy God is he.

FOR ANY SAINT'S DAY.

196 *Bishop R. Mant*, 1776-1848.

FOR all thy Saints, O Lord,
Who strove in thee to live,
Who followed thee, obeyed, adored,
Our grateful hymn receive.

2 For all thy Saints, O Lord,
Accept our thankful cry,
Who counted thee their great reward,
And strove in thee to die.

3 They all in life and death,
With thee their Lord in view,
Learned from thy Holy Spirit's breath
To suffer and to do.

4 For this thy name we bless,
And humbly beg that we
May follow them in holiness,
And live and die in thee;

5 With them the Father, Son,
And Holy Ghost to praise,
As in the ancient days was done,
And shall through endless days. Amen.

197

I. Watts, 1674–1748.

GIVE me the wings of faith to rise
Within the veil, and see
The Saints above, how great their joys,
How bright their glories be.

2 Once they were mourning here below,
And wet their couch with tears;
They wrestled hard, as we do now,
With sins and doubts and fears.

3 I ask them whence their victory came;
They, with united breath,
Ascribe their conquest to the Lamb,
Their triumph to his death.

4 They marked the footsteps that he trod,
His zeal inspired their breast,
And, following their incarnate God,
Possess the promised rest.

5. Our glorious Leader claims our praise
For his own pattern given;
While the long cloud of witnesses
Show the same path to heaven.

198

Bishop Chr. Wordsworth, 1807–85.

HARK! the sound of holy voices,
Chanting at the crystal sea,
Alleluya, Alleluya,
Alleluya, Lord, to thee:
Multitude, which none can number,
Like the stars in glory stands,
Clothed in white apparel, holding
Palms of victory in their hands.

2 Patriarch, and holy Prophet,
  Who prepared the way of Christ,
King, Apostle, Saint, Confessor,
  Martyr, and Evangelist,
Saintly Maiden, godly Matron,
  Widows who have watched to prayer,
Joined in holy concert, singing
  To the Lord of all, are there.

3 They have come from tribulation,
  And have washed their robes in blood,
Washed them in the Blood of Jesus;
  Tried they were, and firm they stood;
Mocked, imprisoned, stoned, tormented,
  Sawn asunder, slain with sword,
They have conquered death and Satan
  By the might of Christ the Lord.

4 Marching with thy Cross their banner,
  They have triumphed following
Thee, the Captain of salvation,
  Thee, their Saviour and their King;
Gladly, Lord, with thee they suffered;
  Gladly, Lord, with thee they died,
And by death to life immortal
  They were born, and glorified.

5 Now they reign in heavenly glory,
  Now they walk in golden light,
Now they drink, as from a river,
  Holy bliss and infinite;
Love and peace they taste for ever,
  And all truth and knowledge see
In the beatific vision
  Of the blessèd Trinity.

6. God of God, the One-begotten,
  Light of light, Emmanuel,
In whose Body joined together
  All the Saints for ever dwell;

Pour upon us of thy fullness,
That we may for evermore
God the Father, God the Son, and
God the Holy Ghost adore. Amen.

199 *I. Watts and others*, 18*th cent.*

HOW bright these glorious spirits shine!
Whence all their white array?
How came they to the blissful seats
Of everlasting day?

2 Lo! these are they from sufferings great
Who came to realms of light,
And in the Blood of Christ have washed
Those robes that shine so bright.

3 Now with triumphal palms they stand
Before the throne on high,
And serve the God they love amidst
The glories of the sky.

4 Hunger and thirst are felt no more,
Nor sun with scorching ray;
God is their sun, whose cheering beams
Diffuse eternal day.

5 The Lamb, which dwells amid the throne,
Shall o'er them still preside,
Feed them with nourishment divine,
And all their footsteps guide.

6. In pastures green he'll lead his flock
Where living streams appear;
And God the Lord from every eye
Shall wipe off every tear.

200 *Sequence. Suitable also for other festivals. Adam of St. Victor*, c. 1150. *Tr. Y. H.*

Supernae matris gaudia.

JOY and triumph everlasting
Hath the heavenly Church on high;
For that pure immortal gladness
All our feast-days mourn and sigh:

Yet in death's dark desert wild
Doth the mother aid her child,
Guards celestial thence attend us,
Stand in combat to defend us.

2 Here the world's perpetual warfare
Holds from heaven the soul apart;
Legioned foes in shadowy terror
Vex the Sabbath of the heart.
O how happy that estate
Where delight doth not abate;
For that home the spirit yearneth,
Where none languisheth nor mourneth.

3 There the body hath no torment,
There the mind is free from care,
There is every voice rejoicing,
Every heart is loving there.
Angels in that city dwell;
Them their King delighteth well:
Still they joy and weary never,
More and more desiring ever.

4 * There the seers and fathers holy,
There the prophets glorified,
All their doubts and darkness ended,
In the Light of light abide.
There the Saints, whose memories old
We in faithful hymns uphold,
Have forgot their bitter story
In the joy of Jesu's glory.

5 *. There from lowliness exalted
Dwelleth Mary, Queen of grace,
Ever with her presence pleading
'Gainst the sin of Adam's race.
To that glory of the blest,
By their prayers and faith confest,
Us, us too, when death hath freed us,
Christ of his good mercy lead us.

201

J. Montgomery, 1771–1854.

PALMS of glory, raiment bright,
Crowns that never fade away,
Gird and deck the Saints in light,
Priests, and kings, and conquerors they.

2 Yet the conquerors bring their palms
To the Lamb amidst the throne,
And proclaim in joyful psalms
Victory through his Cross alone.

3 Kings for harps their crowns resign,
Crying, as they strike the chords,
'Take the kingdom, it is thine,
King of kings, and Lord of lords.'

4 Round the altar priests confess,
If their robes are white as snow,
'Twas the Saviour's righteousness,
And his Blood, that made them so.

5. They were mortal too like us;
Ah! when we like them must die,
May our souls translated thus
Triumph, reign, and shine on high.

202

Bishop R. Heber, 1783–1826.

THE Son of God goes forth to war,
A kingly crown to gain;
His blood-red banner streams afar!
Who follows in his train?

2 Who best can drink his cup of woe,
Triumphant over pain,
Who patient bears his cross below,
He follows in his train.

3* The Martyr first, whose eagle eye
Could pierce beyond the grave;
Who saw his Master in the sky,
And called on him to save.

4*Like him, with pardon on his tongue
In midst of mortal pain,
He prayed for them that did the wrong!
Who follows in his train?

5*A glorious band, the chosen few
On whom the Spirit came,
Twelve valiant Saints, their hope they knew,
And mocked the cross and flame.

6*They met the tyrant's brandished steel,
The lion's gory mane,
They bowed their necks the death to feel;
Who follows in their train?

7 A noble army, men and boys,
The matron and the maid,
Around the Saviour's throne rejoice
In robes of light arrayed.

8. They climbed the steep ascent of heaven
Through peril, toil, and pain;
O God, to us may grace be given
To follow in their train.

203

Christina G. Rossetti, 1830-94.

WHAT are these that glow from afar,
These that lean over the golden bar,
Strong as the lion, pure as the dove,
With open arms, and hearts of love?
They the blessèd ones gone before,
They the blessèd for evermore;
Out of great tribulation they went
Home to their home of heaven content.

2 What are these that fly as a cloud,
With flashing heads and faces bowed;
In their mouths a victorious psalm,
In their hands a robe and a palm?
Welcoming Angels these that shine,
Your own Angel, and yours, and mine;
Who have hedged us, both day and night
On the left hand and on the right.

3 Light above light, and bliss beyond bliss,
Whom words cannot utter, lo, who is this?
As a King with many crowns he stands,
And our names are graven upon his hands;
As a Priest, with God-uplifted eyes,
He offers for us his Sacrifice;
As the Lamb of God, for sinners slain,
That we too may live, he lives again.

4. God the Father give us grace
To walk in the light of Jesu's face;
God the Son give us a part
In the hiding-place of Jesu's heart;
God the Spirit so hold us up
That we may drink of Jesu's cup;
God Almighty, God Three in One,
God Almighty, God alone. Amen.

204

H. T. Schenk, 1656–1727. *Tr. F. E. Cox.*

Wer sind die vor Gottes Throne.

WHO are these, like stars appearing,
These before God's throne who stand?
Each a golden crown is wearing;
Who are all this glorious band?
Alleluya, hark! they sing,
Praising loud their heavenly King.

2 Who are these of dazzling brightness,
These in God's own truth arrayed,
Clad in robes of purest whiteness,
Robes whose lustre ne'er shall fade,
Ne'er be touched by time's rude hand—
Whence comes all this glorious band?

3 These are they who have contended
For their Saviour's honour long,
Wrestling on till life was ended,
Following not the sinful throng;
These, who well the fight sustained,
Triumph through the Lamb have gained.

4 These are they whose hearts were riven,
Sore with woe and anguish tried,
Who in prayer full oft have striven
With the God they glorified;
Now, their painful conflict o'er,
God has bid them weep no more.

5. These like priests have watched and waited,
Offering up to Christ their will,
Soul and body consecrated,
Day and night to serve him still:
Now, in God's most holy place
Blest they stand before his face.

The following is also suitable:

641 For all the Saints who from their labours rest.

SAINTS' DAYS: PROPER.

ST. ANDREW.

205 (*O. H.*, 174–6.) *Mrs. C. F. Alexander*, 1823–95.

JESUS calls us!—o'er the tumult
Of our life's wild restless sea
Day by day his sweet voice soundeth,
Saying, 'Christian, follow me:'

2 As of old Saint Andrew heard it
By the Galilean lake,
Turned from home, and toil, and kindred,
Leaving all for his dear sake.

3 Jesus calls us from the worship
Of the vain world's golden store,
From each idol that would keep us,
Saying, 'Christian, love me more.'

4 In our joys and in our sorrows,
Days of toil and hours of ease,
Still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
'Christian, love me more than these.'

5. Jesus calls us!—by thy mercies,
Saviour, may we hear thy call,
Give our hearts to thy obedience,
Serve and love thee best of all.

The following is also suitable: 383 Dear Lord and Father.

ST. THOMAS.

206 (*O. H.*, 174-6.) *Mrs. E. Toke*, 1812-72, *and W. Denton.*

O THOU, who didst with love untold
Thy doubting servant chide,
Bidding the eye of sense behold
Thy wounded hands and side:

2 Grant us, like him, with heartfelt awe
To own thee God and Lord,
And from his hour of darkness draw
Faith in the incarnate Word.

3 And while that wondrous record now
Of unbelief we hear,
O let us only lowlier bow
In self-distrusting fear;

4. And grant that we may never dare
Thy loving heart to grieve,
But, at the last, their blessing share
Who see not, yet believe.

ST. PAUL.

207 (*O. H.*, 174-6.) *J. Ellerton*, 1826-93.

WE sing the glorious conquest
Before Damascus' gate,
When Saul, the Church's spoiler,
Came breathing threats and hate;
The ravening wolf rushed forward
Full early to the prey;
But lo! the Shepherd met him,
And bound him fast to-day!

2 O Glory most excelling
That smote across his path!
O Light that pierced and blinded
The zealot in his wrath!
O Voice that spake within him
The calm reproving word!
O Love that sought and held him
The bondman of his Lord!

3 O Wisdom, ordering all things
In order strong and sweet,
What nobler spoil was ever
Cast at the Victor's feet?
What wiser master-builder
E'er wrought at thine employ,
Than he, till now so furious
Thy building to destroy?

4. Lord, teach thy Church the lesson,
Still in her darkest hour
Of weakness and of danger
To trust thy hidden power.
Thy grace by ways mysterious
The wrath of man can bind,
And in thy boldest foeman
Thy chosen Saint can find!

THE PURIFICATION.

208 Office Hymn E. (M. 214 *or* 215.) *Ascribed to Archbishop Rabanus Maurus, 9th cent. Tr. T. A. L.*

Quod chorus vatum.

ALL prophets hail thee, from of old announcing,
By the inbreathèd Spirit of the Father,
God's Mother, bringing prophecies to fullness,
Mary the maiden.

2 Thou the true Virgin Mother of the Highest,
Bearing incarnate God in awed obedience,
Meekly acceptest for a sinless offspring
Purification.

3 In the high temple Simeon receives thee,
Takes to his bent arms with a holy rapture
That promised Saviour, vision of redemption,
Christ long awaited.

4 Now the fair realm of Paradise attaining,
And to thy Son's throne, Mother of the Eternal,
Raisèd all glorious, yet in earth's devotion
Join with us always.

5. Glory and worship to the Lord of all things
Pay we unresting, who alone adorèd,
Father and Son and Spirit, in the highest
Reigneth eternal. Amen.

See also (for 2nd E.): 22 Come rejoicing.

209

J. Ellerton, 1826–93.

HAIL to the Lord who comes,
Comes to his temple gate!
Not with his Angel host,
Not in his kingly state;
No shouts proclaim him nigh,
No crowds his coming wait;

2 But borne upon the throne
Of Mary's gentle breast,
Watched by her duteous love,
In her fond arms at rest;
Thus to his Father's house
He comes, the heavenly Guest.

3 There Joseph at her side
In reverent wonder stands;
And, filled with holy joy,
Old Simeon in his hands
Takes up the promised Child,
The glory of all lands.

4 Hail to the great First-born
Whose ransom-price they pay!
The Son before all worlds,
The Child of man to-day,
That he might ransom us
Who still in bondage lay.

5. O Light of all the earth,
Thy children wait for thee!
Come to thy temples here,
That we, from sin set free,
Before thy Father's face
May all presented be!

ST. MATTHIAS.

210 (*O. H.*, 174-6.) *H. Alford*, 1810-71.

THE highest and the holiest place
Guards not the heart from sin;
The Church that safest seems without
May harbour foes within.

2 Thus in the small and chosen band,
Beloved above the rest,
One fell from his apostleship,
A traitor-soul unblest.

3 But not the great designs of God
Man's sins shall overthrow;
Another witness to the truth
Forth to the lands shall go.

4 The soul that sinneth, it shall die;
Thy purpose shall not fail;
The word of grace no less shall sound,
The truth no less prevail.

5. Righteous, O Lord, are all thy ways;
Long as the worlds endure,
From foes without and foes within
Thy Church shall stand secure.

ST. DAVID.

211 *E. J. Newell*, 1853–1916.

WE praise thy name, all-holy Lord,
For him, the beacon-light
That shone beside our western sea
Through mists of ancient night;
Who sent to Ireland's fainting Church
New tidings of thy word:
For David, prince of Cambrian Saints,
We praise thee, holy Lord.

2 For all the saintly band whose prayers
Still gird our land about,
Of whom, lest men disdain their praise,
The voiceless stones cry out;
Our hills and vales on every hand
Their names and deeds record:
For these, thy ancient hero host,
We praise thee, holy Lord.

3. Grant us but half their burning zeal,
But half their iron faith,
But half their charity of heart,
And fortitude to death;
That we with them and all thy Saints
May in thy truth accord,
And ever in thy holy Church
May praise thee, holy Lord.

ST. PATRICK (March 17th).

St. Patrick's Breastplate.

212 *Suitable also for general occasions.*
Ascr. to St. Patrick, 372–466. *Tr. Mrs. C. F. Alexander.*

Atomrius indiu

I BIND unto myself to-day
The strong name of the Trinity,
By invocation of the same,
The Three in One, and One in Three.

2*I bind this day to me for ever,
By power of faith, Christ's Incarnation;
His baptism in Jordan river;
His death on Cross for my salvation;
His bursting from the spicèd tomb;
His riding up the heavenly way;
His coming at the day of doom;
I bind unto myself to-day.

3*I bind unto myself the power
Of the great love of Cherubim;
The sweet 'Well done' in judgement hour;
The service of the Seraphim,
Confessors' faith, Apostles' word,
The Patriarchs' prayers, the Prophets' scrolls,
All good deeds done unto the Lord,
And purity of virgin souls.

4 I bind unto myself to-day
The virtues of the star-lit heaven,
The glorious sun's life-giving ray,
The whiteness of the moon at even,
The flashing of the lightning free,
The whirling wind's tempestuous shocks,
The stable earth, the deep salt sea,
Around the old eternal rocks.

5 I bind unto myself to-day
The power of God to hold and lead,
His eye to watch, his might to stay,
His ear to hearken to my need.
The wisdom of my God to teach,
His hand to guide, his shield to ward;
The word of God to give me speech,
His heavenly host to be my guard.

6* Against the demon snares of sin,
The vice that gives temptation force,
The natural lusts that war within,
The hostile men that mar my course;

Or few or many, far or nigh,
In every place, and in all hours,
Against their fierce hostility,
I bind to me these holy powers.

7 * Against all Satan's spells and wiles,
Against false words of heresy,
Against the knowledge that defiles,
Against the heart's idolatry,
Against the wizard's evil craft,
Against the death-wound and the burning,
The choking wave, the poisoned shaft,
Protect me, Christ, till thy returning.

Part 2.

8 Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,
Christ to comfort and restore me,
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me,
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.

Doxology to either Part.

9. I bind unto myself the name,
The strong name of the Trinity ;
By invocation of the same,
The Three in One, and One in Three.
Of whom all nature hath creation ;
Eternal Father, Spirit, Word :
Praise to the Lord of my salvation,
Salvation is of Christ the Lord. Amen.

THE ANNUNCIATION.

See also: 640 Virgin-born! we bow before thee.

213 OFFICE HYMN. E. *Conception, Annunciation. Nativity, B.V.M.* *c. 9th cent. Tr. A. R.*

Ave, maris Stella.

HAIL, O Star that pointest
Towards the port of heaven,
Thou to whom as maiden
God for Son was given.

2 When the salutation
Gabriel had spoken,
Peace was shed upon us,
Eva's bonds were broken.

3 Bound by Satan's fetters,
Health and vision needing,
God will aid and light us
At thy gentle pleading.

4 Jesu's tender Mother,
Make thy supplication
Unto him who chose thee
At his Incarnation;

5 That, O matchless Maiden,
Passing meek and lowly,
Thy dear Son may make us
Blameless, chaste and holy.

6 So, as now we journey,
Aid our weak endeavour.
Till we gaze on Jesus,
And rejoice for ever.

7. Father, Son and Spirit,
Three in One confessing,
Give we equal glory,
Equal praise and blessing. Amen.

214 OFFICE HYMN. M. *Conception, Annunciation, Nativity, B.V.M. c. 9th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Quem terra, pontus, aethera.

THE God whom earth, and sea, and sky,
Adore, and laud, and magnify,
Who o'er their threefold fabric reigns,
The Virgin's spotless womb contains.

2 The God whose will by moon and sun
And all things in due course is done,
Is borne upon a Maiden's breast,
By fullest heavenly grace possest.

3 How blest that Mother, in whose shrine
The great Artificer Divine,
Whose hand contains the earth and sky,
Vouchsafed, as in his ark, to lie!

4 Blest, in the message Gabriel brought;
Blest, by the work the Spirit wrought:
From whom the Great Desire of earth
Took human flesh and human birth.

5. All honour, laud, and glory be,
O Jesu, Virgin-born, to thee!
All glory, as is ever meet,
To Father and to Paraclete. Amen.

215 OFFICE HYMN. M. *Conception, Annunciation, Nativity, B.V.M. c. 9th cent. Tr. P. D.*

O gloriosa Femina.

O GLORIOUS Maid, exalted far
Beyond the light of burning star,
From him who made thee thou hast won
Grace to be Mother of his Son.

2 That which was lost in hapless Eve
Thy holy Scion did retrieve:

The tear-worn sons of Adam's race
Through thee have seen the heavenly place.

3 Thou wast the gate of heaven's high Lord,
The door through which the light hath poured.
Christians rejoice, for through a Maid
To all mankind is life conveyed!

4. All honour, laud, and glory be,
O Jesu, Virgin-born, to thee;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To Father and to Paraclete. Amen.

216

J. Keble, 1792-1866.

AVE Maria! blessèd Maid!
Lily of Eden's fragrant shade!
Who can express the love
That nurtured thee, so pure and sweet,
Making thy heart a shelter meet
For Jesus' holy Dove!

2 Ave Maria! Mother blest,
To whom, caressing and caressed,
Clings the eternal Child;
Favoured beyond Archangels' dream,
When first on thee with tenderest gleam
Thy new-born Saviour smiled.

3 Thou wept'st, meek Maiden, Mother mild,
Thou wept'st upon thy sinless Child,
Thy very heart was riven:
And yet, what mourning matron here
Would deem thy sorrows bought too dear
By all on this side heaven!

4 A Son that never did amiss,
That never shamed his Mother's kiss,
Nor crossed her fondest prayer:
E'en from the Tree he deign'd to bow
For her his agonizèd brow,
Her, his sole earthly care.

5. Ave Maria! thou whose name
All but adoring love may claim,
Yet may we reach thy shrine;
For he, thy Son and Saviour, vows
To crown all lowly lofty brows
With love and joy like thine.

217

Bishop T. Ken, 1637–1711.

HER Virgin eyes saw God incarnate born,
When she to Bethl'em came that happy morn;
How high her raptures then began to swell,
None but her own omniscient Son can tell.

2 As Eve when she her fontal sin reviewed,
Wept for herself and all she should include,
Blest Mary with man's Saviour in embrace
Joyed for herself and for all human race.

3 All Saints are by her Son's dear influence blest,
She kept the very Fountain at her breast;
The Son adored and nursed by the sweet Maid
A thousandfold of love for love repaid.

4. Heaven with transcendent joys her entrance graced,
Next to his throne her Son his Mother placed;
And here below, now she's of heaven possest,
All generations are to call her blest.

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V. S. S. C.

YE who own the faith of Jesus
Sing the wonders that were done,
When the love of God the Father
O'er our sin the victory won,
When he made the Virgin Mary
Mother of his only Son.

Hail Mary, full of grace.

2 Blessèd were the chosen people
  Out of whom the Lord did come,
Blessèd was the land of promise
  Fashioned for his earthly home;
But more blessèd far the Mother
  She who bare him in her womb.

3 Wherefore let all faithful people
  Tell the honour of her name,
Let the Church in her foreshadowed
  Part in her thanksgiving claim;
What Christ's Mother sang in gladness
  Let Christ's people sing the same.

4 Let us weave our supplications,
  She with us and we with her,
For the advancement of the faithful,
  For each faithful worshipper,
For the doubting, for the sinful,
  For each heedless wanderer.

5 * May the Mother's intercessions
  On our homes a blessing win,
That the children all be prospered,
  Strong and fair and pure within,
Following our Lord's own footsteps,
  Firm in faith and free from sin.

6 * For the sick and for the agèd,
  For our dear ones far away,
For the hearts that mourn in secret,
  All who need our prayers to-day,
For the faithful gone before us,
  May the holy Virgin pray.

7 Praise, O Mary, praise the Father,
  Praise thy Saviour and thy Son,
Praise the everlasting Spirit,
  Who hath made thee ark and throne;
O'er all creatures high exalted,
  Lowly praise the Three in One. Amen.

219 ST. GEORGE.

Laurence Housman.

LORD God of Hosts, within whose hand
Dominion rests on sea and land,
Before whose word of life or death
The strength of nations is but breath:
O King, enthroned all thrones above,
Give strength unto the land we love.

2 Thou Breath of Life since time began,
Breathing upon the lips of man,
Hast taught each kindred race to raise
United word to sound thy praise:
So, in this land, join, we beseech,
All hearts and lips in single speech.

3 To George our Saint thou gavest grace
Without one fear all foes to face,
And to confess by faithful death
That Word of Life which was his breath.
O help us, Helper of Saint George,
To fear no bonds that man can forge.

4. Arm us like him, who in thy trust
Beat down the dragon to the dust;
So that we too may tread down sin
And with thy Saints a crown may win.
Help us, O God, that we may be
A land acceptable to thee.

ST. MARK.

220 (*O. H.*, 123, *Pt.* 2; 124, *Pt.* 2.) *Laurence Housman.*

THE Saint who first found grace to pen
The Life which was the Life of men,
And shed abroad the Gospel's ray,
His fame we celebrate to-day.

2 Lo, drawn by Pentecostal fire,
His heart conceived its great desire,
When pure of mind, inspired, he heard
And with his hand set forth the Word.

3 Then, clearly writ, the Godhead shone
Serene and fair to look upon;
And through that record still comes power
To lighten souls in death's dark hour.

4 O holy mind, for wisdom fit
Wherein that Life of lives stood writ,
May we through minds of like accord
Show forth the pattern of our Lord.

5 And so may all whose minds are dark
Be led to truth by good Saint Mark,
And after this our earthly strife
Stand written in the Book of Life.

6. Praise God who made the world so fair,
And sent his Son our Saviour there,
And by his Holy Spirit wist
To teach the first Evangelist. Amen.

ST. PHILIP AND ST. JAMES.

Percy Dearmer,
1867–1936.

221 (*O. H.* 123, *Pt.* 2; 124, *Pt.* 2.)

THE winter's sleep was long and deep,
But earth is awakened and gay;
For the life ne'er dies that from God doth rise,
And the green comes after the grey.

2* So God doth bring the world to spring;
And on their holy day
Doth the Church proclaim her Apostles' fame,
To welcome the first of May.

3 Two Saints of God went by the road
That leadeth on to light;
And they gave up all at their Master's call,
To work in their Master's sight.

4 Would Philip's mind the Father find?
Lo, he hath found the Way;
For to know the Son is to know the One
Whom the earth and the heavens obey.

5 And, James, 'twas thine by grace divine
To preach the Christian life,
Where our faith is shown by our works alone,
And love overcometh strife.

6. Lord, grant that we may brethren be—
As Christians live in deed;
For it is but so we can learn to know
The truth that to thee doth lead.

ST. BARNABAS.

222 (*O. H.*, 174–6, *if after Ascension-tide.*) *Mrs. Coote*

THE Son of Consolation!
Of Levi's priestly line,
Filled with the Holy Spirit
And fervent faith divine,
With lowly self-oblation,
For Christ an offering meet,
He laid his earthly riches
At the Apostles' feet.

2 The Son of Consolation!
O name of soothing balm!
It fell on sick and weary
Like breath of heaven's own calm!
And the blest Son of Comfort
With fearless loving hand
The Gentiles' great Apostle
Led to the faithful band.

3 The Son of Consolation!
Drawn near unto his Lord,
He won the Martyr's glory,
And passed to his reward:

With him is faith now ended,
For ever lost in sight,
But love, made perfect, fills him
With praise, and joy, and light.

4 The Son of Consolation!
Lord, hear our humble prayer,
That each of us thy children
This blessèd name may bear;
That we, sweet comfort shedding
O'er homes of pain and woe,
'Midst sickness and in prisons,
May seek thee here below.

5. The Sons of Consolation!
O what their bliss will be
When Christ the King shall tell them,
'Ye did it unto me!'
The merciful and loving
The Lord of life shall own,
And as his priceless jewels
Shall set them round his throne.

ST. JOHN BAPTIST.

223 OFFICE HYMN. E. *Paulus Diaconus, 8th cent.*
Tr. R. E. R.

Ut queant laxis.

LET thine example, holy John, remind us,
Ere we can meetly sing thy deeds of wonder,
Hearts must be chastened, and the bonds that bind us
Broken asunder!

2 Lo! a swift Angel, from the skies descending,
Tells to thy father what shall be thy naming;
All thy life's greatness to its bitter ending
Duly proclaiming.

3 But when he doubted what the Angel told him,
Came to him dumbness to confirm the story;
At thine appearing, healed again behold him,
Chanting thy glory!

4 Oh! what a splendour and a revelation
Came to each mother, at thy joyful leaping,
Greeting thy Monarch, King of every nation,
In the womb sleeping.

5. Angels in orders everlasting praise thee,
God, in thy triune Majesty tremendous;
Hark to the prayers we, penitents, upraise thee:
Save and defend us. Amen.

224 Office Hymn. M.

Paulus Diaconus, 8th cent.
Tr. R. E. R.

Antra deserti.

E'EN in thy childhood, 'mid the desert places,
Thou hadst a refuge from the city gainèd,
Far from all slander and its bitter traces
Living unstainèd.

2 Often had prophets in the distant ages
Sung to announce the Daystar and to name him;
But as the Saviour, last of all the sages,
Thou didst proclaim him.

3 Than John the Baptist, none of all Eve's daughters
E'er bore a greater, whether high or lowly:
He was thought worthy, washing in the waters
Jesus the holy.

4. Angels in orders everlasting praise thee,
God, in thy triune Majesty tremendous;
Hark to the prayers we, penitents, upraise thee:
Save and defend us. Amen.

225 *The Venerable Bede*, 673–735. *Tr. C. S. Calverley*†.

Praecursor altus luminis.

HAIL, harbinger of morn:
Thou that art this day born,
And heraldest the Word with clarion voice!
Ye faithful ones, in him
Behold the dawning dim
Of the bright day, and let your hearts rejoice.

2 John;—by that chosen name
To call him, Gabriel came
By God's appointment from his home on high:
What deeds that babe should do
To manhood when he grew,
God sent his Angel forth to testify.

3 There is none greater, none,
Than Zachariah's son;
Than this no mightier prophet hath been born:
Of prophets he may claim
More than a prophet's fame;
Sublimer deeds than theirs his brow adorn.

4 'Lo, to prepare thy way,'
Did God the Father say,
'Before thy face my messenger I send,
Thy coming to forerun;
As on the orient sun
Doth the bright daystar morn by morn attend.'

5. Praise therefore God most high;
Praise him who came to die
For us, his Son that liveth evermore;
And to the Spirit raise,
The Comforter, like praise,
While time endureth, and when time is o'er.

(*No.* 9 *is also suitable.*) Amen.

226 Office Hymn (*St. Peter and St. Paul*). E. *and* M.
Ascribed to Elpis, c. 500. *Tr. T. A. L.*

Aurea luce.

WITH golden splendour and with roseate hues of morn,
O gracious Saviour, Light of light, this day adorn,
Which brings to ransomed sinners hopes of that far home
Where saints and angels sing the praise of martyrdom.

2 Lo, the Keybearer, lo, the Teacher of mankind,
Lights of the world and judges sent to loose and bind,
Alike triumphant or by cross or sword-stroke found,
In life's high Senate stand with victor's laurel crowned.

3 Good Shepherd, Peter, unto whom the charge was given
To close or open ways of pilgrimage to heaven,
In sin's hard bondage held may we have grace to know
The full remission thou wast granted to bestow.

4 O noble Teacher, Paul, we trust to learn of thee
Both earthly converse and the flight of ecstasy;
Till from the fading truths that now we know in part
We pass to fulness of delight for mind and heart.

5 Twin olive branches, pouring oil of gladness forth,
Your prayers shall aid us, that for all our little worth,
Believing, hoping, loving, we for whom ye plead,
This body dying, may attain to life indeed.

6. Now to the glorious Trinity be duly paid
Worship and honour, praise and service unafraid,
Who in unchanging Unity, one Lord sublime,
Hath ever lived as now and to unending time.
Amen.

(*Or for O. H.*, M. 175 *or* 176.)

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Mrs. C. F. Alexander, 1823–95.

FORSAKEN once, and thrice denied,
The risen Lord gave pardon free,
Stood once again at Peter's side,
And asked him, 'Lov'st thou me?'

2 How many times with faithless word
Have we denied his holy name,
How oft forsaken our dear Lord,
And shrunk when trial came!

3 Saint Peter, when the cock crew clear,
Went out, and wept his broken faith;
Strong as a rock through strife and fear,
He served his Lord till death.

4 How oft his cowardice of heart
We have without his love sincere,
The sin without the sorrow's smart,
The shame without the tear!

5 O oft forsaken, oft denied,
Forgive our shame, wash out our sin;
Look on us from thy Father's side
And let that sweet look win.

6. Hear when we call thee from the deep,
Still walk beside us on the shore,
Give hands to work, and eyes to weep,
And hearts to love thee more.

228 OFFICE HYMN. E. *15th cent. Tr. L. H.*

Festum Matris gloriosae.

NOW in holy celebration
Sing we of that Mother blest,
In whose flesh for men's salvation
God incarnate deigned to rest,
When a kindred salutation
Named in faith the mystic Guest.

2* Lo, the advent Word confessing,
Spake for joy the voice yet dumb,
Through his mother's lips addressing
Her, of motherhood the sum,—
Bower of beauty, blest and blessing,
Crowned with fruit of Life to come.

3 'Whence,' she cried, at that fair meeting,
'Comes to me this great reward?
For when first I heard the greeting
Of the Mother of my Lord,
In my womb, the joy repeating,
Leapt my babe in sweet accord!'

4 Lo, at that glad commendation
Joy found voice in Mary's breast
While in holy exultation
She her Maker's power confest,
At whose word each generation
Now henceforward names her blest.

5. Triune Godhead, health supplying,
Ruler of eternity,
On the Fount of grace relying,
We uplift our hearts to thee,
Praying that in realms undying
We at one with Life may be. Amen.

229 OFFICE HYMN. M. *15th cent. Tr. L. H.*

Mundi salus affutura.

PORTAL of the world's salvation,
Lo, a virgin pure and mild,
Humble-hearted, high in station,
Form of beauty undefiled,
Crown of earth's anticipation,
Comes the Mother-maid with child.

2* Here, the serpent's power subduing,
See the Bush unburned by fire,
Gideon's Fleece of heaven's imbuing,
Aaron's Rod of bright attire,
Fair, and pure, and peace-ensuing,
Spouse of Solomon's desire.

3* Jesse's Branch received its Flower,
Mother of Emmanuel,
Portal sealed and mystic Bower
Promised by Ezekiel,
Rock of Daniel's dream, whose power
Smote, and lo, the image fell!

4 See in flesh so great a wonder
By the power of God ordained,—
Him, whose feet all worlds lay under,
In a Virgin's womb contained;—
So on earth, her bonds to sunder,
Righteousness from heaven hath rained.

5 Virgin sweet, with love o'erflowing,
To the hills in haste she fares;
On a kindred heart bestowing
Blessing from the joy she bears;
Waiting while with mystic showing
Time the sacred birth prepares.

6 What fair joy o'ershone that dwelling,
Called so great a guest to greet;
What her joy whose love compelling
Found a rest for Mary's feet,
When, the bliss of time foretelling,
Lo, the Voice and Word did meet!

7. God most high, the heaven's Foundation,
Ruler of eternity;
Jesu, who for man's salvation
Came in flesh to make us free;
Spirit, moving all creation,
Evermore be praise to thee! Amen.

ST. MARY MAGDALENE.

230 Office Hymn. E. *Philippe de Grève, d.* 1238. *Tr. L. H.*

Collaudemus Magdalenae.

SING we all the joys and sorrows
Which in Mary's heart were found;
To her fame our voices raising
Let consenting praise abound:
So do birds of night and morning
Make their mingled songs resound.

2 Through the guest-throng at the banquet
Undismayed she sought her Lord;
Cleansing tears and salving ointments
Lowly on his feet she poured,—
Wiped them with her hair, obtaining
By her love the great reward.

3* Deigns the Cleanser to be cleansed;
Stoops the Source to find the flow;
Drains the Flower in outpoured fragrance
Perfume which its heart let go:
Heavens which have rained their bounty
Drink the dew from earth below!

4 There in box of alabaster,
Bearing nard of fragrance pure,
She with gift of outpoured sweetness
Bids the mystic sign endure:
Seeking from anointment healing,
Lo, the sick anoints the Cure!

5 Dearly then for that dear offering
Did our Lord in love repay :
Since so perfect her devotion,
All her sins he put away :
Made her be his own forerunner
On his Resurrection day.

6. Now be glory, laud, and honour
Unto him the Paschal Host,
Who, in war with Death a Lion,
As a Lamb gave up the ghost,
And the third day rose a Victor
Crowned with spoils that Death had lost.

231 OFFICE HYMN. M. *and* E. *Philippe de Grève, d.* 1236. *Tr. L. H.*

O Maria, noli flere.

MARY, weep not, weep no longer,
Now thy heart hath gained its goal ;
Here, in truth, the Gardener standeth,
But the Gardener of thy soul,
Who within thy spirit's garden
By his love hath made thee whole.

2 Now from grief and lamentation
Lift thy drooping heart with cheer ;
While for love of him thou mournest,
Lo, thy Lord regained is here !
Fainting for him, thou hast found him ;
All unknown, behold him near !

3* Whence thy sorrow, whence thy weeping,
Since with thee true bliss abides ?
In thy heart, though undiscovered,
Balm of consolation hides :
Holding all, thou canst no longer
Lack the cure that Health provides.

4 Nay, no wonder if she knows not
  Till the Sower's seed be sown,
Till from him, the Word eternal,
  Light within her heart is thrown.
Lo, he calls her; lo, 'Rabboni,'
  She in turn her Lord doth own.

5 Faith that washed the feet of Jesus,
  Fed with dew the Fount of Grace,
Win for us a like compassion,
  That, with all the ransomed race,
At the glory of his rising
  We may see him face to face!

6. Glory be to God and honour,
  Who, preferring sacrifice,
Far above the rich man's bounty,
  Sweetness found in Mary's sighs,
Who for all, his love foretasting,
  Spreads the banquet of the skies.

ST. JAMES.

232 (*O. H.*, 174–6.) *W. Romanis*, 1824–99.

LORD, who shall sit beside thee,
  Enthroned on either hand,
When clouds no longer hide thee,
  'Mid all thy faithful band?

2 Who drinks the cup of sorrow
  Thy Father gave to thee
'Neath shadows of the morrow
  In dark Gethsemane;

3 Who on thy Passion thinking
  Can find in loss a gain,
And dare to meet unshrinking
  Thy baptism of pain.

4 O Jesu, form within us
  Thy likeness clear and true;
By thine example win us
  To suffer or to do.

5. This law itself fulfilleth,—
Christlike to Christ is nigh,
And, where the Father willeth,
Shall sit with Christ on high.

THE TRANSFIGURATION.

233 OFFICE HYMN. E. *15th cent. Tr. R. E. R.*

Caelestis formam gloriae.

AN image of that heavenly light,
The goal the Church keeps ay in sight,
Christ on the holy mount displays
Where he outshines the sun's bright rays.

2 Let every age proclaimer be
How, on this day, the chosen three
With Moses and Elias heard
The Lord speak many a gracious word.

3 As witnesses to grace are nigh
Those twain, the Law and Prophecy;
And to the Son, from out the cloud,
The Father's record thunders loud.

4 With garments whiter than the snows,
And shining face, Lord Jesus shows
What glory for those saints shall be
Who joy in God with piety.

5 The vision and the mystery
Make faithful hearts beat quick and high,
So on this solemn day of days
The cry goes up of prayer and praise.

6. O God the Father, God the Son,
And Holy Spirit, Three in One,
Vouchsafe to bring us, by thy grace,
To see thy glory face to face. Amen.

234 OFFICE HYMN. M. *10th cent. Tr. L. H.*

O nata Lux de lumine.

O LIGHT of light, by love inclined,
Jesu, Redeemer of mankind,
With loving-kindness deign to hear
From suppliant voices praise and prayer.

2 Thou who to raise our souls from hell
Didst deign in fleshly form to dwell,
Vouchsafe us, when our race is run,
In thy fair Body to be one.

3 More bright than day thy face did show,
Thy raiment whiter than the snow,
When on the mount to mortals blest
Man's Maker thou wast manifest.

4 Two prophets, that had faith to see,
With thine elect found company,
Where unto each, divinely shown,
The Godhead veiled in form was known.

5 The heavens above his glory named,
The Father's voice the Son proclaimed;
To whom, the King of glory now,
All faithful hearts adoring bow.

6 May all who seek thy praise aright
Through purer lives show forth thy light;
So to the brightness of the skies
By holy deeds our hearts shall rise.

7. Eternal God, to thee we raise,
The King of kings, our hymn of praise,
Who Three in One and One in Three
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

235 *Suitable also for Retreats. A. P. Stanley* †, 1815–81.

O MASTER, it is good to be
High on the mountain here with thee;
Where stand revealed to mortal gaze
The great old Saints of other days;

Who once received on Horeb's height
The eternal laws of truth and right;
Or caught the still small whisper, higher
Than storm, than earthquake, or than fire.

2 O Master, it is good to be
With thee, and with thy faithful three:
Here, where the Apostle's heart of rock
Is nerved against temptation's shock;
Here, where the Son of Thunder learns
The thought that breathes, and word that burns;
Here, where on eagle's wings we move
With him whose last best creed is love.

3* O Master, it is good to be
Entranced, enwrapt, alone with thee;
Watching the glistering raiment glow,
Whiter than Hermon's whitest snow,
The human lineaments that shine
Irradiant with a light divine:
Till we too change from grace to grace
Gazing on that transfigured face.

4. O Master, it is good to be
Here on the holy mount with thee:
When darkling in the depths of night,
When dazzled with excess of light,
We bow before the heavenly voice
That bids bewildered souls rejoice,
Though love wax cold, and faith be dim,
'This is my Son! O hear ye him.'

Suitable also for general use.

236 *J. Armitage Robinson*, 1858–1933.

'TIS good, Lord, to be here!
Thy glory fills the night;
Thy face and garments, like the sun,
Shine with unborrowed light.

2 'Tis good, Lord, to be here,
Thy beauty to behold,
Where Moses and Elijah stand,
Thy messengers of old.

3 Fulfiller of the past!
Promise of things to be!
We hail thy Body glorified,
And our redemption see.

4 Before we taste of death,
We see thy kingdom come;
We fain would hold the vision bright,
And make this hill our home.

5. 'Tis good, Lord, to be here!
Yet we may not remain;
But since thou bidst us leave the mount
Come with us to the plain.

THE HOLY NAME.

237 OFFICE HYMN. E. *15th cent. Tr. P. D.*

Exultet cor praecordiis.

O LET the heart beat high with bliss,
Yea, let it triumph at the sound
Of Jesus' name, so sweet it is,
For every joy therein is found.

2 The name that comforteth in woe,
The name of Jesus healing sin,
The name that curbs the powers below
And drives away the death within:

3 The name that soundeth ever sweet
In speech or verse or holy song,
And bids us run with willing feet,
Consoled, and comforted, and strong.

4 Then let the name of Jesus ring
With lofty praise in every place;
Let heart and voice together sing—
That name shall every ill efface.

5 Ah! Jesus, health of sinful men,
Give ear unto our loving prayer;
Guide thou our wandering feet again,
And hold our doings in thy care.

6 Lord, may thy name supply our needs,
And keep us all from danger free,
And make us perfect in good deeds,
That we may lose our sins by thee.

7 To thee, O Christ, all glory be
Who shinest with this holy name;
We worship thy divinity,
Jesus, thou Lord of gentle fame.

8. O Jesus, of the Virgin born,
Immortal honour be to thee;
Praise to the Father infinite,
And Holy Ghost eternally. Amen.

238 Office Hymn. (*Pts.* 1 *and* 2) M.

The Rosy Sequence (*Pts.* 1 & 3). *Suitable also for other occasions.*
11th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.

Jesu, dulcis memoria.

JESU!—the very thought is sweet!
In that dear name all heart-joys meet;
But sweeter than the honey far
The glimpses of his presence are.

2 No word is sung more sweet than this:
No name is heard more full of bliss:
No thought brings sweeter comfort nigh,
Than Jesus, Son of God most high.

3 Jesu! the hope of souls forlorn!
How good to them for sin that mourn!
To them that seek thee, O how kind!
But what art thou to them that find?

4 Jesu, thou sweetness, pure and blest,
Truth's Fountain, Light of souls distrest,
Surpassing all that heart requires,
Exceeding all that soul desires!

5 No tongue of mortal can express,
No letters write its blessedness :
Alone who hath thee in his heart
Knows, love of Jesus ! what thou art.

Part 2.

6 O Jesu ! King of wondrous might !
O Victor, glorious from the fight !
Sweetness that may not be exprest,
And altogether loveliest !

7 Remain with us, O Lord, to-day !
In every heart thy grace display :
That now the shades of night are fled,
On thee our spirits may be fed.

8. All honour, laud and glory be,
O Jesu, Virgin-born, to thee !
All glory, as is ever meet,
To Father and to Paraclete. Amen.

Part 3.

6 I seek for Jesus in repose,
When round my heart its chambers close;
Abroad, and when I shut the door,
I long for Jesus evermore.

7 With Mary in the morning gloom
I seek for Jesus at the tomb ;
For him, with love's most earnest cry,
I seek with heart and not with eye.

8 Jesus, to God the Father gone,
Is seated on the heavenly throne ;
My heart hath also passed from me,
That where he is there it may be.

9. We follow Jesus now, and raise
The voice of prayer, the hymn of praise,
That he at last may make us meet
With him to gain the heavenly seat.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW.

239* (*O. H.*, 174–6.) *A. R.*

SAINTS of God! Lo, Jesu's people
Age to age your glory tell;
In his name for us ye laboured,
Now in bliss eternal dwell.

2 Twelve poor men, by Christ anointed,
Braved the rich, the wise, the great,
All the world counts dear rejecting,
Rapt in their apostolate.

3 Thus the earth their death-wounds purchased,
Hallowed by the blood therefrom,
On her bosom bore the nations,
Laved, illumined,—Christendom.

4. On this feast, almighty Father,
May we praise thee with the Son,
Evermore his love confessing,
Who from Both with Both is One. Amen.

(**Suitable for any other Apostle.*)

ST. MATTHEW.

240 (*O. H.*, 174–6.) *W. Bright*, 1824–1901.

HE sat to watch o'er customs paid,
A man of scorned and hardening trade;
Alike the symbol and the tool
Of foreign masters' hated rule.

2 But grace within his breast had stirred;
There needed but the timely word;
It came, true Lord of souls, from thee,
That royal summons, 'Follow me.'

3 Enough, when thou wert passing by,
To hear thy voice, to meet thine eye:
He rose, responsive to the call,
And left his task, his gains, his all.

4 O wise exchange! with these to part,
And lay up treasure in thy heart;
With twofold crown of light to shine
Amid thy servants' foremost line.

5 Come, Saviour, as in days of old ;
Pass where the world has strongest hold,
And faithless care and selfish greed
Are thorns that choke the holy seed.

6. Who keep thy gifts, O bid them claim
The steward's, not the owner's name ;
Who yield all up for thy dear sake,
Let them of Matthew's wealth partake.

MICHAELMAS.

241 OFFICE HYMN. E. *and* M. *Ascribed to Archbishop Rabanus Maurus, 9th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Tibi, Christe, splendor Patris.

THEE, O Christ, the Father's splendour,
Life and virtue of the heart,
In the presence of the Angels
Sing we now with tuneful art,
Meetly in alternate chorus
Bearing our responsive part.

2 Thus we praise with veneration
All the armies of the sky ;
Chiefly him, the warrior Primate,
Of celestial chivalry,
Michael, who in princely virtue
Cast Abaddon from on high.

3 By whose watchful care repelling—
King of everlasting grace—
Every ghostly adversary,
All things evil, all things base,
Grant us of thine only goodness
In thy Paradise a place.

4. Laud and honour to the Father,
Laud and honour to the Son,
Laud and honour to the Spirit,
Ever Three, and ever One,
Consubstantial, co-eternal,
While unending ages run. Amen.

242 OFFICE HYMN. M. *Ascribed to Archbishop Rabanus Maurus, 9th cent. Tr. A. R.*

Christe, sanctorum decus Angelorum.

CHRIST, the fair glory of the holy Angels,
Thou who hast made us, thou who o'er us rulest,
Grant of thy mercy unto us thy servants
Steps up to heaven.

2 Send thy Archangel, Michael, to our succour;
Peacemaker blessèd, may he banish from us
Striving and hatred, so that for the peaceful
All things may prosper.

3 Send thy Archangel, Gabriel, the mighty;
Herald of heaven, may he from us mortals
Spurn the old serpent, watching o'er the temples
Where thou art worshipped.

4 Send thy Archangel, Raphael, the restorer
Of the misguided ways of men who wander,
Who at thy bidding strengthens soul and body
With thine anointing.

5 May the blest Mother of our God and Saviour,
May the assembly of the Saints in glory,
May the celestial companies of Angels
Ever assist us.

6. Father almighty, Son and Holy Spirit,
God ever blessèd, be thou our preserver;
Thine is the glory which the Angels worship,
Veiling their faces. Amen.

243 *J. M Neale*, 1818-66.

AROUND the throne of God a band
Of glorious Angels always stand;
Bright things they see, sweet harps they hold,
And on their heads are crowns of gold.

2 Some wait around him, ready still
To sing his praise and do his will;
And some, when he commands them, go
To guard his servants here below.

3 Lord, give thy Angels every day
Command to guide us on our way,
And bid them every evening keep
Their watch around us while we sleep.

4. So shall no wicked thing draw near,
To do us harm or cause us fear;
And we shall dwell, when life is past,
With Angels round thy throne at last.

244

Bishop R. Heber, 1783–1826, *and J. Keble.*

O GOD the Son eternal, thy dread might
Sent forth Saint Michael and the hosts of heaven,
And from the realms of light
Cast down in burning fight
Satan's rebellious hosts, to darkness given.

2 * Thine Angels, Lord, we bless with thankful lays,
Dwelling with thee above yon depths of sky:
Who, 'mid thy glory's blaze,
Heaven's ceaseless anthems raise,
And gird thy throne in faithful ministry.

3 We celebrate their love, whose viewless wing
Hath left for us so oft their mansion high,
The mercies of their King
To mortal saints to bring,
Or guard the couch of slumbering infancy.

4 But thee, the First and Last, we glorify,
Who, when thy world was sunk in death and sin,
Not with thine hierarchy,
The armies of the sky,
But didst with thine own arm the battle win.

5*. Therefore with Angels and Archangels we
To thy dear love our thankful chorus raise,
And tune our songs to thee,
Who art, and art to be;
And, endless as thy mercies, sound thy praise!

245 *St. Joseph the Hymnographer, d. 883. Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Φωστῆρες τῆς ἀΰλου.

STARS of the morning, so gloriously bright,
Filled with celestial resplendence and light,
These that, where night never followeth day,
Raise the Trisagion ever and ay:

2 These are thy counsellors, these dost thou own,
Lord God of Sabaoth, nearest thy throne;
These are thy ministers, these dost thou send,
Help of the helpless ones! man to defend.

3 These keep the guard amid Salem's dear bowers;
Thrones, Principalities, Virtues, and Powers;
Where, with the Living Ones, mystical Four,
Cherubim, Seraphim bow and adore.

4* 'Who like the Lord?' thunders Michael the Chief;
Raphael, 'the cure of God,' comforteth grief;
And, as at Nazareth, prophet of peace,
Gabriel, 'the Light of God,' bringeth release.

5 Then, when the earth was first poised in mid space,
Then, when the planets first sped on their race,
Then, when were ended the six days' employ,
Then all the Sons of God shouted for joy.

6. Still let them succour us; still let them fight,
Lord of angelic hosts, battling for right;
Till, where their anthems they ceaselessly pour,
We with the Angels may bow and adore.

246 *R. Campbell, 1814–68, and others.*

THEY come, God's messengers of love,
They come from realms of peace above,
From homes of never-fading light,
From blissful mansions ever bright.

2 They come to watch around us here,
To soothe our sorrow, calm our fear:
Ye heavenly guides, speed not away,
God willeth you with us to stay.

3 But chiefly at its journey's end
'Tis yours the spirit to befriend,
And whisper to the willing heart,
'O Christian soul, in peace depart.'

4 Blest Jesu, thou whose groans and tears
Have sanctified frail nature's fears,
To earth in bitter sorrow weighed,
Thou didst not scorn thine Angel's aid.

5 To us the zeal of Angels give,
With love to serve thee while we live;
To us an Angel-guard supply,
When on the bed of death we lie.

6. To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One,
From all above and all below
Let joyful praise unceasing flow. Amen.

ST. LUKE.

247 (*O. H.*, 174-6.) *H. D. Rawnsley*, 1850-1920.

SAVIOUR, who didst healing give,
Still in power go before us;
Thou through death didst bid men live,
Unto fuller life restore us;
Strength from thee the fainting found,
Deaf men heard, the blind went seeing;
At thy touch was banished sickness,
And the leper felt new being.

2 Thou didst work thy deeds of old
Through the loving hands of others;
Still thy mercies manifold
Bless men by the hands of brothers;
Angels still before thy face
Go, sweet health to brothers bringing;
Still, hearts glow to tell his praises
With whose name the Church is ringing.

3. Loved physician! for his word
  Lo, the Gospel page burns brighter,
Mission servant of the Lord,
  Painter true, and perfect writer;
Saviour, of thy bounty send
  Such as Luke of Gospel story,
Friends to all in body's prison
  Till the sufferers see thy glory.

ST. SIMON AND ST. JUDE.

248 (*O. H.*, 174–6.) *J. Ellerton*, 1826–93.

THOU who sentest thine Apostles
  Two and two before thy face,
Partners in the night of toiling,
  Heirs together of thy grace,
Throned at length, their labours ended,
  Each in his appointed place:

2 Praise to thee for those thy champions
  Whom our hymns to-day proclaim;
One, whose zeal by thee enlightened
  Burned anew with nobler flame;
One, the kinsman of thy childhood
  Brought at last to know thy name.

3 Praise to thee! Thy fire within them
  Spake in love, and wrought in power;
Seen in mighty signs and wonders
  In thy Church's morning hour;
Heard in tones of sternest warning
  When the storms began to lour.

4. God the Father, great and wondrous
  In thy works, to thee be praise;
King of Saints, to thee be glory,
  Just and true in all thy ways;
Praise to thee, from both proceeding,
  Holy Ghost, through endless days. **Amen.**

249 Office Hymn. E. *and* M.

9th cent. Tr. T. A. L.

Jesu, Salvator saeculi.

O SAVIOUR Jesu, not alone
We plead for help before thy throne;
Thy Mother's love shall aid our prayer
To win for us that healing care.

2 For souls defaulting supplicate
All orders of the Angel state,
The Patriarchs in line to thee,
The Prophets' goodly company.

3 For souls in guilt ensnarèd pray
The Baptist, herald of thy way,
The wielder of the heavenly keys,
The apostolic witnesses.

4 For souls polluted intercede
Thy Martyrs, hallowed in their deed,
Confessors high in priestly power,
And they who have the virgin dower.

5 Let all who served thy Church below,
And now thy heavenly freedom know,
Give heed to help our lingering strife
And claim for us the crown of life.

6. To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One,
All honour, praise, and glory be
From age to age eternally. Amen.

250

Asc. to St. Thomas à Kempis, 1379–1471.
Tr. J. M. Neale.

Quisquis valet numerare.

IF there be that skills to reckon
All the number of the blest,
He perchance can weigh the gladness

Of the everlasting rest,
Which, their earthly exile finished,
They by merit have possest.

2 Through the vale of lamentation
Happily and safely past,
Now the years of their affliction
In their memory they recast,
And the end of all perfection
They can contemplate at last.

3 There the gifts of each and single
All in common right possess;
There each member hath his portion
In the Body's blessedness;
So that he, the least in merits,
Shares the guerdon none the less.

4* In a glass through types and riddles
Dwelling here, we see alone;
Then serenely, purely, clearly,
We shall know as we are known,
Fixing our enlightened vision
On the glory of the throne.

5 There the Trinity of Persons
Unbeclouded shall we see;
There the Unity of Essence
Perfectly revealed shall be;
While we hail the Threefold Godhead
And the simple Unity.

6*. Wherefore, man, take heart and courage,
Whatsoe'er thy present pain;
Such untold reward through suffering
Thou may'st merit to attain:
And for ever in his glory
With the Light of light to reign.

251 *18th cent. Tr. I. Williams.*

Caelestis O Jerusalem.

O HEAVENLY Jerusalem,
Of everlasting halls,
Thrice blessèd are the people
Thou storest in thy walls.

2 Thou art the golden mansion,
Where Saints for ever sing,
The seat of God's own chosen,
The palace of the King.

3 There God for ever sitteth,
Himself of all the Crown;
The Lamb the Light that shineth
And never goeth down.

4 Nought to this seat approacheth
Their sweet peace to molest;
They sing their God for ever,
Nor day nor night they rest.

5 Calm hope from thence is leaning,
To her our longings bend;
No short-lived toil shall daunt us
For joys that cannot end.

6. To Christ, the Sun that lightens
His Church above, below,
To Father, and to Spirit,
All things created bow. Amen.

252 *Asc. to St. Thomas à Kempis*, 1379–1471. *Tr. J. M. Neale*‡.

In domo Patris.

OUR Father's home eternal,
O Christ, thou dost prepare
With many divers mansions,
And each one passing fair;

They are the victors' guerdon,
Who, through the hard-won fight,
Have followed in thy footsteps,
And reign with thee in light.

2*Amidst the happy number
The Virgins' crown and queen,
The ever-virgin Mother
Is first and foremost seen;
The Patriarchs in their triumph
Thy praises nobly sing,
The Prophets of thy wisdom
Adore the nations' King;

3*The Apostles reign in glory,
The Martyrs joy in thee;
The Virgins and Confessors
Thy shining brightness see;
And every patient sufferer,
Who sorrow dared contemn,
For each especial anguish
Hath one especial gem.

4 The holy men and women,
Their earthly struggle o'er,
With joy put off the armour
That they shall need no more;
For these, and all that battled
Beneath their Monarch's eyes,
The harder was the conflict
The brighter is the prize.

5. And every faithful servant,
Made perfect in thy grace,
Hath each his fitting station
'Mid those that see thy face;
The bondsman and the noble,
The peasant and the king,
All gird one glorious Monarch
In one eternal ring.

253 *Sequence. J.-B. De Contes,* 1601–79. *Tr. W. Palmer [and others.*

Sponsa Christi quae per orbem.

SPOUSE of Christ, in arms contending
O'er each clime beneath the sun,
Blend with prayers for help ascending
Notes of praise for triumphs won.

2 As the Church to-day rejoices
All her Saints to join on high,
So from earth let all our voices
Rise in solemn harmony.

3 First amid the laurelled legions
Prays the Mother to her Son,
Close to Christ in those fair regions
Where high praise to him is done.

4 Angels next, in due gradation
Of the Spirit's ministry,
Hymn the Father of creation,
Maker of the stars on high.

5 John, the herald-voice sonorous,
Head of the prophetic throng,
Patriarchs, and Seers in chorus,
Join to swell the Angels' song.

6 Near to Christ the Apostles seated,
Trampling on the powers of hell,
By the promise now completed
Judge the tribes of Israel.

7 They who nobly died believing,
Martyrs purpled in their gore,
Crowns of life by death receiving,
Rest in joy for evermore.

8 Priests and Levites, Gospel preachers,
And Confessors numberless,
Prelates meek and holy teachers,
Bear the palm of righteousness.

9 Virgin souls, by high profession
To the Lamb devoted here,
Strewing flowers in gay procession
At the marriage-feast appear.

10 All are blest together, praising
God's eternal Majesty,
Thrice repeated anthems raising
To the all-holy Trinity.

11 In your heavenly habitations,
In your blessèd home on high,
Hear, ye Saints, our aspirations,
As to God we lift our cry.

12 Ever praising, ever praying,
Help ye thus your brethren here,
That the will of God obeying
We in peace may persevere.

13. So may we, with hearts devoted,
Serve our God in holiness;
So may we, by God promoted,
Share that heaven which ye possess.

Nos. 250–252 *are suitable also for other days.*

The following are suitable for All Saints' Day:

197 Give me the wings of faith to rise.
198 Hark! the sound of holy voices.
199 How bright these glorious spirits shine.
200 Joy and triumph everlasting.
202 The Son of God goes forth to war.
203 What are these that glow from afar.
204 Who are these, like stars appearing.
401 He wants not friends that hath thy love.
486 Ten thousand times ten thousand.
519 Ye watchers and ye holy ones.
641 For all the Saints who from their labours rest.

Part III.

TIMES AND SEASONS.

MORNING.

254 Office Hymn. *Prime. 5th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Jam lucis orto sidere.

NOW that the daylight fills the sky,
We lift our hearts to God on high,
That he, in all we do or say,
Would keep us free from harm to-day:

2 Would guard our hearts and tongues from strife;
From anger's din would hide our life;
From all ill sights would turn our eyes;
Would close our ears from vanities:

3 Would keep our inmost conscience pure;
Our souls from folly would secure;
Would bid us check the pride of sense
With due and holy abstinence.

4 So we, when this new day is gone,
And night in turn is drawing on,
With conscience by the world unstained
Shall praise his name for victory gained.

5. All laud to God the Father be;
All praise, eternal Son, to thee;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To God the holy Paraclete. Amen.

Anciently the Hymns for the hours were sung with the special doxologies of the M. *and* E. Office Hymns *during Christmastide, Epiphany, Eastertide, Ascension, and Whitsuntide.*

255 OFFICE HYMN. *Terce.* *Ascribed to St. Ambrose, 340–97. Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Nunc, Sancte, nobis, Spiritus.

COME, Holy Ghost, with God the Son
And God the Father, ever one;
Shed forth thy grace within our breast,
And dwell with us a ready guest.

2 By every power, by heart and tongue,
By act and deed, thy praise be sung;
Inflame with perfect love each sense,
That others' souls may kindle thence.

3. O Father, that we ask be done,
Through Jesus Christ, thine only Son,
Who, with the Holy Ghost, and thee,
Shall live and reign eternally. Amen.

On Whitsunday and the three following days, at Terce:

154 Come, O Creator Spirit, come.

256 *W. Bright*, 1824–1901.

AT thy feet, O Christ, we lay
Thine own gift of this new day;
Doubt of what it holds in store
Makes us crave thine aid the more;
Lest it prove a time of loss,
Mark it, Saviour, with thy Cross.

2 If it flow on calm and bright,
Be thyself our chief delight;
If it bring unknown distress,
Good is all that thou canst bless;
Only, while its hours begin,
Pray we, keep them clear of sin.

3* We in part our weakness know,
And in part discern our foe;
Well for us, before thine eyes
All our danger open lies;
Turn not from us, while we plead
Thy compassions and our need.

4 Fain would we thy word embrace,
Live each moment on thy grace,
All our selves to thee consign,
Fold up all our wills in thine,
Think, and speak, and do, and be
Simply that which pleases thee.

5. Hear us, Lord, and that right soon;
Hear, and grant the choicest boon
That thy love can e'er impart,
Loyal singleness of heart;
So shall this and all our days,
Christ our God, show forth thy praise.

257

Bishop T. Ken, 1637–1711.

AWAKE, my soul, and with the sun
Thy daily stage of duty run;
Shake off dull sloth, and joyful rise
To pay thy morning sacrifice.

2 Redeem thy mis-spent time that's past,
Live this day as if 'twere thy last:
Improve thy talent with due care;
For the great Day thyself prepare.

3 Let all thy converse be sincere,
Thy conscience as the noon-day clear;
Think how all-seeing God thy ways
And all thy secret thoughts surveys.

4 By influence of the light Divine
Let thy own light in good works shine;
Reflect all heaven's propitious ways
In ardent love and cheerful praise.

Part 2.

5 Wake, and lift up thyself, my heart,
And with the Angels bear thy part,
Who all night long unwearied sing
High praise to the eternal King.

6 Awake, awake, ye heavenly choir,
May your devotion me inspire,
That I like you my age may spend,
Like you may on my God attend.

Part 3.

7 Glory to thee, who safe hast kept
And hast refreshed me whilst I slept;
Grant, Lord, when I from death shall wake
I may of endless light partake.

8 Heaven is, dear Lord, where'er thou art,
O never then from me depart;
For to my soul 'tis hell to be
But for one moment void of thee.

9 Lord, I my vows to thee renew;
Scatter my sins as morning dew;
Guard my first springs of thought and will,
And with thyself my spirit fill.

10 Direct, control, suggest, this day
All I design, or do, or say;
That all my powers, with all their might,
In thy sole glory may unite.

11. Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise him, all creatures here below,
Praise him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

This Doxology may be sung after any Part.

258

C. Wesley, 1707–88.

CHRIST, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ, the true, the only Light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise,
Triumph o'er the shades of night;
Dayspring from on high, be near;
Daystar, in my heart appear.

2 Dark and cheerless is the morn
Unaccompanied by thee;
Joyless is the day's return,
Till thy mercy's beams I see;
Till they inward light impart,
Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

3. Visit then this soul of mine,
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
Fill me, Radiancy Divine,
Scatter all my unbelief;
More and more thyself display,
Shining to the perfect day.

259 *Suitable also for Mid-day Services. C. Wesley*, 1707-88.

FORTH in thy name, O Lord, I go,
My daily labour to pursue;
Thee, only thee, resolved to know,
In all I think, or speak, or do.

2 The task thy wisdom hath assigned
O let me cheerfully fulfil;
In all my works thy presence find,
And prove thine acceptable will.

3 Preserve me from my calling's snare,
And hide my simple heart above,
Above the thorns of choking care,
The gilded baits of worldly love.

4 Thee may I set at my right hand,
Whose eyes my inmost substance see,
And labour on at thy command,
And offer all my works to thee.

5 Give me to bear thy easy yoke,
And every moment watch and pray,
And still to things eternal look,
And hasten to thy glorious day;

6. For thee delightfully employ
Whate'er thy bounteous grace hath given,
And run my course with even joy,
And closely walk with thee to heaven.

260 *J. Keble*, 1792-1866.

NEW every morning is the love
Our wakening and uprising prove;
Through sleep and darkness safely brought,
Restored to life, and power, and thought.

2 New mercies, each returning day,
Hover around us while we pray;
New perils past, new sins forgiven,
New thoughts of God, new hopes of heaven.

3* If on our daily course our mind
Be set to hallow all we find,
New treasures still, of countless price,
God will provide for sacrifice.

4 Old friends, old scenes, will lovelier be,
As more of heaven in each we see;
Some softening gleam of love and prayer
Shall dawn on every cross and care.

5 We need not bid, for cloistered cell,
Our neighbour and our work farewell,
Nor strive to wind ourselves too high
For sinful man beneath the sky:

6 The trivial round, the common task,
Would furnish all we ought to ask,—
Room to deny ourselves, a road
To bring us daily nearer God.

7.* Only, O Lord, in thy dear love
Fit us for perfect rest above;
And help us this and every day
To live more nearly as we pray.

See also, for Sunday Morning:
50 This day the first of days was made.
For other days, Hymns **52** *to* **57**.
For Sundays and Week-days:
165 Father, we praise thee.

261 Office Hymn. *Sext.*

Ascribed to St. Ambrose, 340–97. Tr. J. M. Neale.

Rector potens, verax Deus.

O GOD of truth, O Lord of might,
Who orderest time and change aright,
And send'st the early morning ray,
And light'st the glow of perfect day:

2 Extinguish thou each sinful fire,
And banish every ill desire;
And while thou keep'st the body whole,
Shed forth thy peace upon the soul.

3. O Father, that we ask be done,
Through Jesus Christ, thine only Son;
Who, with the Holy Ghost and thee,
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

262 Office Hymn. *None.*

Ascribed to St. Ambrose, 340–97. Tr. J. M. Neale.

Rerum Deus tenax vigor.

O GOD, Creation's secret force,
Thyself unmoved, all motion's source,
Who from the morn till evening ray
Through all its changes guid'st the day:

2 Grant us, when this short life is past,
The glorious evening that shall last;
That, by a holy death attained,
Eternal glory may be gained.

3. O Father, that we ask be done,
Through Jesus Christ, thine only Son;
Who, with the Holy Ghost and thee,
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

263 *William Wordsworth*, 1770–1850.

BLEST are the moments, doubly blest,
That, drawn from this one hour of rest,
Are with a ready heart bestowed
Upon the service of our God!

2* Each field is then a hallowed spot,
An altar is in each man's cot,
A church in every grove that spreads
Its living roof above our heads.

3 Look up to heaven! the industrious sun
Already half his race hath run;
He cannot halt or go astray,
But our immortal spirits may.

4 Lord, since his rising in the east,
If we have faltered or transgressed,
Guide, from thy love's abundant source,
What yet remains of this day's course;

5. Help with thy grace, through life's short day,
Our upward and our downward way;
And glorify for us the west,
When we shall sink to final rest.

The following is also suitable for Mid-day Services:

259 Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go.

Also many of the simpler Hymns.

EVENING.

264 OFFICE HYMN. *Compline.* *Before 8th cent.*
Tr. J. M. Neale.

Te lucis ante terminum.

BEFORE the ending of the day,
Creator of the world, we pray
That with thy wonted favour thou
Wouldst be our Guard and Keeper now.

2 From all ill dreams defend our eyes,
From nightly fears and fantasies;
Tread under foot our ghostly foe,
That no pollution we may know.

3. O Father, that we ask be done,
Through Jesus Christ, thine only Son;
Who, with the Holy Ghost and thee,
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

See also: 81 O Christ, who art the Light and Day.
104 Servant of God, remember.
144 O Christ, our hope, our hearts' desire.

265

C. Coffin, 1676–1749. *Tr. J. Chandler*‡.

Labente jam solis rota.

AS now the sun's declining rays
At eventide descend,
E'en so our years are sinking down
To their appointed end.

2 Lord, on the Cross thine arms were stretched
To draw the nations nigh;
O grant us then that Cross to love,
And in those arms to die.

3. To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Holy Ghost,
All glory be from saints on earth,
And from the Angel host. Amen.

266

H. Twells†, 1823–1900.

AT even when the sun was set
The sick, O Lord, around thee lay;
O, in what divers pains they met!
O with what joy they went away!

2 Once more 'tis eventide, and we
Oppressed with various ills draw near;
What if thy form we cannot see?
We know and feel that thou art here.

3 O Saviour Christ, our woes dispel;
For some are sick, and some are sad,
And some have never loved thee well,
And some have lost the love they had;

4* And some have found the world is vain,
Yet from the world they break not free;
And some have friends who give them pain,
Yet have not sought a friend in thee:

5* And none, O Lord, have perfect rest,
For none are wholly free from sin;
And they who fain would serve thee best
Are conscious most of wrong within.

6 O Saviour Christ, thou too art Man;
Thou hast been troubled, tempted, tried;
Thy kind but searching glance can scan
The very wounds that shame would hide;

7. Thy touch has still its ancient power,
No word from thee can fruitless fall;
Hear in this solemn evening hour,
And in thy mercy heal us all.

267

Bishop T. Ken, 1637–1711.

GLORY to thee, my God, this night
For all the blessings of the light;
Keep me, O keep me, King of kings,
Beneath thy own almighty wings.

2 Forgive me, Lord, for thy dear Son,
The ill that I this day have done,
That with the world, myself, and thee,
I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.

3 Teach me to live, that I may dread
The grave as little as my bed;
Teach me to die, that so I may
Rise glorious at the awful day.

4 O may my soul on thee repose,
And with sweet sleep mine eyelids close,
Sleep that may me more vigorous make
To serve my God when I awake.

5* When in the night I sleepless lie,
My soul with heavenly thoughts supply;
Let no ill dreams disturb my rest,
No powers of darkness me molest.

6* You, my blest guardian, whilst I sleep
Close to my bed your vigils keep;
Divine love into me instil,
Stop all the avenues of ill.

7. Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise him, all creatures here below,
Praise him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

268 1. *Bishop Heber* (1827). 2. *Archbishop Whately* (1855).

GOD, that madest earth and heaven,
Darkness and light;
Who the day for toil hast given,
For rest the night;
May thine Angel-guards defend us,
Slumber sweet thy mercy send us,
Holy dreams and hopes attend us,
This livelong night.

2. Guard us waking, guard us sleeping;
And, when we die,
May we in thy mighty keeping
All peaceful lie:
When the last dread call shall wake us,
Do not thou our God forsake us,
But to reign in glory take us
With thee on high.

269 *3rd cent. or earlier. Tr. Y. H.*

Φῶς ἱλαρόν.

O GLADSOME light, O grace
Of God the Father's face,
The eternal splendour wearing;
Celestial, holy, blest,
Our Saviour Jesus Christ,
Joyful in thine appearing.

2 Now, ere day fadeth quite,
We see the evening light,
Our wonted hymn outpouring;
Father of might unknown,
Thee, his incarnate Son,
And Holy Spirit adoring.

3. To thee of right belongs
All praise of holy songs,
O Son of God, Lifegiver;
Thee, therefore, O Most High,
The world doth glorify,
And shall exalt for ever.

270

R. H. Robinson, 1842–92.

HOLY Father, cheer our way
With thy love's perpetual ray;
Grant us every closing day
Light at evening time.

2 Holy Saviour, calm our fears
When earth's brightness disappears;
Grant us in our latter years
Light at evening time.

3 Holy Spirit, be thou nigh
When in mortal pains we lie;
Grant us, as we come to die,
Light at evening time.

4. Holy, blessèd Trinity,
Darkness is not dark with thee;
Those thou keepest always see
Light at evening time.

271

Ascribed to St. Ambrose, 340–97.
Tr. J. Ellerton, F. J. A. Hort.

Rerum Deus tenax vigor.

O STRENGTH and Stay upholding all creation,
Who ever dost thyself unmoved abide,
Yet day by day the light in due gradation
From hour to hour through all its changes guide;

2 Grant to life's day a calm unclouded ending,
An eve untouched by shadows of decay,
The brightness of a holy death-bed blending
With dawning glories of the eternal day.

3. Hear us, O Father, gracious and forgiving,
Through Jesus Christ thy co-eternal Word,
Who, with the Holy Ghost, by all things living
Now and to endless ages art adored. Amen.

272

W. Romanis, 1824–99.

ROUND me falls the night;
Saviour, be my Light:
Through the hours in darkness shrouded
Let me see thy face unclouded:
Let thy glory shine
In this heart of mine.

2 Earthly work is done,
Earthly sounds are none;
Rest in sleep and silence seeking,
Let me hear thee softly speaking;
In my spirit's ear
Whisper, 'I am near.'

3. Blessèd, heavenly Light,
Shining through earth's night;
Voice, that oft of love hast told me;
Arms, so strong to clasp and hold me;
Thou thy watch wilt keep,
Saviour, o'er my sleep.

273

J. Ellerton, 1826–93.

SAVIOUR, again to thy dear name we raise
With one accord our parting hymn of praise.
Guard thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
That in this house have called upon thy name.

2 Grant us thy peace, Lord, through the coming night;
Turn thou for us its darkness into light;
From harm and danger keep thy children free,
For dark and light are both alike to thee.

3 Grant us thy peace throughout our earthly life;
Peace to thy Church from error and from strife;
Peace to our land, the fruit of truth and love;
Peace in each heart, thy Spirit from above:

4. Thy peace in life, the balm of every pain;
Thy peace in death, the hope to rise again;
Then, when thy voice shall bid our conflict cease,
Call us, O Lord, to thine eternal peace.

274

J. Keble, 1792–1866.

SUN of my soul, thou Saviour dear,
It is not night if thou be near:
O may no earth-born cloud arise
To hide thee from thy servant's eyes.

2 When the soft dews of kindly sleep
My wearied eyelids gently steep,
Be my last thought, how sweet to rest
For ever on my Saviour's breast.

3 Abide with me from morn till eve,
For without thee I cannot live;
Abide with me when night is nigh,
For without thee I dare not die.

4 If some poor wand'ring child of thine
Have spurned to-day the voice divine,
Now, Lord, the gracious work begin;
Let him no more lie down in sin.

5 Watch by the sick; enrich the poor
With blessings from thy boundless store;
Be every mourner's sleep to-night
Like infant's slumbers, pure and light.

6. Come near and bless us when we wake,
Ere through the world our way we take;
Till in the ocean of thy love
We lose ourselves in heaven above.

275

F. W. Faber, 1814-1863.

SWEET Saviour, bless us ere we go;
Thy word into our minds instil;
And make our lukewarm hearts to glow
With lowly love and fervent will.
Through life's long day and death's dark night,
O gentle Jesus, be our Light.

2 The day is done, its hours have run,
And thou hast taken count of all;
The scanty triumphs grace hath won,
The broken vow, the frequent fall.

3 Grant us, dear Lord, from evil ways
True absolution and release;
And bless us, more than in past days,
With purity and inward peace.

4* Do more than pardon; give us joy,
Sweet fear and sober liberty,
And loving hearts without alloy,
That only long to be like thee.

5* Labour is sweet, for thou hast toiled,
And care is light, for thou hast cared;
Let not our works with self be soiled,
Nor in unsimple ways ensnared.

6. For all we love, the poor, the sad,
The sinful,—unto thee we call;
O let thy mercy make us glad;
Thou art our Jesus and our All.

276

Ascribed to 6th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.

Τὴν ἡμέραν διελθών.

THE day is past and over;
All thanks, O Lord, to thee;
I pray thee that offenceless
The hours of dark may be:
O Jesu, keep me in thy sight,
And guard me through the coming night.

2 The joys of day are over;
I lift my heart to thee,
And call on thee that sinless
The hours of dark may be:
O Jesu, make their darkness light,
And guard me through the coming night.

3 The toils of day are over;
I raise the hymn to thee,
And ask that free from peril
The hours of dark may be:
O Jesu, keep me in thy sight,
And guard me through the coming night.

4. Be thou my soul's preserver,
O God! for thou dost know
How many are the perils
Through which I have to go:
Lover of men! O hear my call,
And guard and save me from them all.

277

J. Ellerton, 1826–93.

THE day thou gavest, Lord, is ended,
The darkness falls at thy behest;
To thee our morning hymns ascended,
Thy praise shall sanctify our rest.

2 We thank thee that thy Church unsleeping,
While earth rolls onward into light,
Through all the world her watch is keeping,
And rests not now by day or night.

3 As o'er each continent and island
The dawn leads on another day,
The voice of prayer is never silent,
Nor dies the strain of praise away.

4 The sun that bids us rest is waking
Our brethren 'neath the western sky,
And hour by hour fresh lips are making
Thy wondrous doings heard on high.

5. So be it, Lord; thy throne shall never,
Like earth's proud empires, pass away;
Thy kingdom stands, and grows for ever,
Till all thy creatures own thy sway.

278

P. Gerhardt, 1607–76. *Tr. F. H.*

Nun ruhen alle Wälder.

THE duteous day now closeth,
Each flower and tree reposeth,
Shade creeps o'er wild and wood:
Let us, as night is falling,
On God our Maker calling,
Give thanks to him, the Giver good.

2 Now all the heavenly splendour
Breaks forth in starlight tender
From myriad worlds unknown;
And man, the marvel seeing,
Forgets his selfish being,
For joy of beauty not his own.

3 His care he drowneth yonder,
Lost in the abyss of wonder;
To heaven his soul doth steal:
This life he disesteemeth,
The day it is that dreameth,
That doth from truth his vision seal.

4. Awhile his mortal blindness
May miss God's lovingkindness,
And grope in faithless strife:
But when life's day is over
Shall death's fair night discover
The fields of everlasting life.

279

G. Thring, 1823–1903.

THE radiant morn hath passed away,
And spent too soon her golden store;
The shadows of departing day
Creep on once more.

2 Our life is but an autumn sun,
Its glorious noon how quickly past;
Lead us, O Christ, our life-work done,
Safe home at last.

3 O by thy soul-inspiring grace
Uplift our hearts to realms on high;
Help us to look to that bright place
Beyond the sky;—

4 Where light, and life, and joy, and peace
In undivided empire reign,
And thronging Angels never cease
Their deathless strain;—

5. Where Saints are clothed in spotless white,
And evening shadows never fall,
Where thou, eternal Light of light,
Art Lord of all.

280

c. 18th cent. Tr. E. Caswall.

Sol praeceps rapitur.

THE sun is sinking fast,
The daylight dies;
Let love awake, and pay
Her evening sacrifice.

2 As Christ upon the Cross,
In death reclined,
Into his Father's hands
His parting soul resigned,

3 So now herself my soul
Would wholly give
Into his sacred charge,
In whom all spirits live;

4 So now beneath his eye
Would calmly rest,
Without a wish or thought
Abiding in the breast,

5 Save that his will be done,
Whate'er betide,
Dead to herself, and dead
In him to all beside.

6 Thus would I live; yet now
Not I, but he
In all his power and love
Henceforth alive in me—

7. One sacred Trinity,
One Lord Divine,
Myself for ever his,
And he for ever mine!

281 *T. Kelly*, 1769-1854.

THROUGH the day thy love has spared us;
Now we lay us down to rest;
Through the silent watches guard us,
Let no foe our peace molest:
Jesus, thou our Guardian be;
Sweet it is to trust in thee.

2. Pilgrims here on earth, and strangers,
Dwelling in the midst of foes;
Us and ours preserve from dangers;
In thine arms may we repose,
And, when life's sad day is past,
Rest with thee in heaven at last.

See also for Saturday Evening, 282, *below*.
For other days: 51 O blest Creator of the light.
For Week-days: 58-62.

SATURDAY EVENING.

282 *John Samuel Jones*

NOW the busy week is done,
Now the rest-time is begun;
Thou hast brought us on our way,
Kept and led us day by day;
Now there comes the first and best,
Day of worship, light and rest.

2 Hallow, Lord, the coming day!
When we meet to praise and pray,
Hear thy word, thy Feast attend,
Hours of happy service spend;
To our hearts be manifest,
Lord of labour and of rest!

3 For thy children gone before
We can trust thee and adore;
All their earthly week is past,
Sabbath-time is theirs at last;
Fold them, Father, to thy breast,
Give them everlasting rest.

4. Guide us all the days to come,
Till thy mercy call us home:
All our powers do thou employ,
Be thy work our chiefest joy;
Then, the promised land possest,
Bid us enter into rest.

See also:—49 Creator of the earth and sky.
164 O Trinity of blessèd light.
465 O what their joy and their glory must be.

SUNDAY.

283 *Morning.* *Edmund Spenser*, 1553–99.

MOST glorious Lord of life, that on this day
Didst make thy triumph over death and sin,
And having harrowed hell, didst bring away
Captivity thence captive, us to win:

2 This joyous day, dear Lord, with joy begin,
And grant that we for whom thou diddest die,
Being with thy dear Blood clean washed from sin,
May live for ever in felicity:

3 And that thy love we weighing worthily,
May likewise love thee for the same again;
And for thy sake, that all like dear didst buy,
With love may one another entertain;

4. So let us love, dear Love, like as we ought;
Love is the lesson which the Lord us taught.

284 *Bishop Chr. Wordsworth*, 1807-85.

O DAY of rest and gladness,
O day of joy and light,
O balm of care and sadness,
Most beautiful, most bright;
On thee the high and lowly,
Through ages joined in tune,
Sing Holy, Holy, Holy,
To the great God triune.

2 On thee at the creation
The light first had its birth;
On thee for our salvation
Christ rose from depths of earth;
On thee our Lord victorious
The Spirit sent from heaven;
And thus on thee most glorious
A triple light was given.

3 Thou art a cooling fountain
In life's dry dreary sand;
From thee, like Pisgah's mountain,
We view our promised land:
A day of sweet refection,
A day thou art of love,
A day of resurrection
From earth to things above.

4. New graces ever gaining
From this our day of rest,
We reach the rest remaining
To spirits of the blest.
To Holy Ghost be praises,
To Father, and to Son;
The Church her voice upraises
To thee, blest Three in One. Amen.

See also 50 *and* 51.

NEW YEAR.

285 *F. R. Havergal*, 1836–79.

ANOTHER year is dawning,
Dear Master, let it be,
In working or in waiting,
Another year with thee.

2 Another year of leaning
Upon thy loving breast,
Of ever-deepening trustfulness,
Of quiet, happy rest.

3 Another year of mercies,
Of faithfulness and grace;
Another year of gladness
In the shining of thy face.

4 Another year of progress,
Another year of praise,
Another year of proving
Thy presence all the days.

5 Another year of service,
Of witness for thy love;
Another year of training
For holier work above.

6. Another year is dawning,
Dear Master, let it be,
On earth, or else in heaven,
Another year for thee!

286 *H. Downton*, 1818–85.

FOR thy mercy and thy grace,
Faithful through another year,
Hear our song of thankfulness,
Father, and Redeemer, hear.

2 Lo, our sins on thee we cast,
Thee, our perfect Sacrifice;
And, forgetting all the past,
Press towards our glorious prize.

3 Dark the future: let thy light
Guide us, bright and Morning Star;
Fierce our foes, and hard the fight:
Arm us, Saviour, for the war.

4 In our weakness and distress,
Rock of strength, be thou our Stay;
In the pathless wilderness
Be our true and living Way.

5 Who of us death's awful road
In the coming year shall tread,
With thy rod and staff, O God,
Comfort thou his dying head.

6. Keep us faithful, keep us pure,
Keep us evermore thine own:
Help, O help us to endure;
Fit us for the promised crown.

The following Hymns are also suitable for the New Year:

3 Behold the Bridegroom cometh.
365 All people that on earth.
368 At the name of Jesus.
389 Fight the good fight.
405 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds.
426 Lead us, heavenly Father.
450 O God, our help in ages past.
502 Through all the changing scenes.
503 Through the night of doubt.
507 To the name that brings salvation.
511 When all thy mercies.

SPRING.

287

J. Newton †, 1725-1807.

KINDLY spring again is here,
Trees and fields in bloom appear;
Hark! the birds with artless lays
Warble their Creator's praise.

2 Where in winter all was snow,
Now the flowers in clusters grow;
And the corn, in green array,
Promises a harvest-day.

3 Lord, afford a spring to me,
Let me feel like what I see;
Speak, and by thy gracious voice,
Make my drooping soul rejoice.

4. On thy garden deign to smile,
Raise the plants, enrich the soil;
Soon thy presence will restore
Life to what seemed dead before.

SUMMER.

288

S. Longfellow ‡, 1819-92.

THE summer days are come again;
Once more the glad earth yields
Her golden wealth of ripening grain,
And breath of clover fields,
And deepening shade of summer woods,
And glow of summer air,
And winging thoughts, and happy moods
Of love and joy and prayer.

2. The summer days are come again;
The birds are on the wing;
God's praises, in their loving strain,
Unconsciously they sing.
We know who giveth all the good
That doth our cup o'erbrim;
For summer joy in field and wood
We lift our song to him.

HARVEST.

289

H. Alford ‡, 1810-71.

COME, ye thankful people, come,
Raise the song of harvest-home!
All be safely gathered in,
Ere the winter storms begin;
God, our Maker, doth provide
For our wants to be supplied;
Come to God's own temple, come;
Raise the song of harvest-home!

2 We ourselves are God's own field,
Fruit unto his praise to yield;
Wheat and tares together sown,
Unto joy or sorrow grown;

First the blade and then the ear,
Then the full corn shall appear:
Grant, O harvest Lord, that we
Wholesome grain and pure may be.

3 For the Lord our God shall come,
And shall take his harvest home;
From his field shall purge away
All that doth offend, that day;
Give his Angels charge at last
In the fire the tares to cast,
But the fruitful ears to store
In his garner evermore.

4. Then, thou Church triumphant, come,
Raise the song of harvest-home;
All be safely gathered in,
Free from sorrow, free from sin,
There for ever purified
In God's garner to abide:
Come, ten thousand Angels, come,
Raise the glorious harvest-home!

290

J. Hampden Gurney, 1802–62.

FAIR waved the golden corn
In Canaan's pleasant land,
When full of joy, some shining morn,
Went forth the reaper-band.

2 To God so good and great
Their cheerful thanks they pour;
Then carry to his temple-gate
The choicest of their store.

3 Like Israel, Lord, we give
Our earliest fruits to thee,
And pray that, long as we shall live,
We may thy children be.

4 Thine is our youthful prime,
And life and all its powers;
Be with us in our morning time,
And bless our evening hours.

5. In wisdom let us grow,
As years and strength are given,
That we may serve thy Church below,
And join thy Saints in heaven.

291

R. F. Littledale, 1838-90.

O SING to the Lord, whose bountiful hand
Again doth accord his gifts to the land.
His clouds have shed down their plenteousness here,
His goodness shall crown the hopes of the year.

2 In clefts of the hills the founts he hath burst,
And poureth their rills through valleys athirst.
The river of God the pastures hath blest,
The dry, withered sod in greenness is drest.

3 And every fold shall teem with its sheep,
With harvests of gold the fields shall be deep;
The vales shall rejoice with laughter and song,
And man's grateful voice the music prolong.

4. So too may he pour, the Last and the First,
His graces in store on spirits athirst,
Till, when the great day of harvest hath come,
He takes us away to garner at home.

292

W. Chatterton Dix, 1837-98.

TO thee, O Lord, our hearts we raise
In hymns of adoration;
To thee bring sacrifice of praise
With shouts of exultation.
Bright robes of gold the fields adorn,
The hills with joy are ringing,
The valleys stand so thick with corn
That even they are singing.

2 And now, on this our festal day,
Thy bounteous hand confessing,
Upon thine altar, Lord, we lay
The first-fruits of thy blessing;

By thee the souls of men are fed
With gifts of grace supernal;
Thou who dost give us daily bread,
Give us the Bread eternal.

3 We bear the burden of the day,
And often toil seems dreary;
But labour ends with sunset ray,
And rest is for the weary;
May we, the Angel-reaping o'er,
Stand at the last accepted,
Christ's golden sheaves for evermore
To garners bright elected.

4. O, blessèd is that land of God,
Where Saints abide for ever;
Where golden fields spread fair and broad,
Where flows the crystal river:
The strains of all its holy throng
With ours to-day are blending;
Thrice blessèd is that harvest-song
Which never hath an ending.

293 *M. Claudius*, 1740–1815. *Tr. Jane M. Campbell.*
Wir pflügen und wir streuen.

WE plough the fields, and scatter
The good seed on the land,
But it is fed and watered
By God's almighty hand;
He sends the snow in winter,
The warmth to swell the grain,
The breezes and the sunshine,
And soft refreshing rain:
All good gifts around us
Are sent from heaven above,
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,
For all his love.

2 He only is the Maker
Of all things near and far,
He paints the wayside flower,
He lights the evening star.

The winds and waves obey him,
By him the birds are fed;
Much more to us, his children,
He gives our daily bread:

3. We thank thee then, O Father,
For all things bright and good;
The seed-time and the harvest,
Our life, our health, our food.
No gifts have we to offer
For all thy love imparts,
But that which thou desirest,
Our humble, thankful hearts:

The following are also suitable:

309 For the beauty of the earth.
447 O God of Bethel, by whose hand.
475 Rejoice, O land, in God thy might.
532 Let us, with a gladsome mind.

Also the other Hymns of Thanksgiving, 533 *to* 537.

AUTUMN.

294 *Bishop W. W. How,* 1823–97.

THE year is swiftly waning,
The summer days are past;
And life, brief life, is speeding;
The end is nearing fast.

2 The ever-changing seasons
In silence come and go;
But thou, eternal Father,
No time or change canst know.

3 O, pour thy grace upon us,
That we may worthier be,
Each year that passes o'er us,
To dwell in heaven with thee.

4 Behold the bending orchards
With bounteous fruit are crowned;
Lord, in our hearts more richly
Let heavenly fruits abound.

5 O, by each mercy sent us,
And by each grief and pain,
By blessings like the sunshine,
And sorrows like the rain,

6. Our barren hearts make fruitful
With every goodly grace,
That we thy name may hallow,
And see at last thy face.

WINTER.

295 *S. Longfellow*, 1819–92.

'TIS winter now; the fallen snow
Has left the heavens all coldly clear;
Through leafless boughs the sharp winds blow,
And all the earth lies dead and drear.

2 And yet God's love is not withdrawn;
His life within the keen air breathes;
His beauty paints the crimson dawn,
And clothes the boughs with glittering wreaths.

3 And though abroad the sharp winds blow,
And skies are chill, and frosts are keen,
Home closer draws her circle now,
And warmer glows her light within.

4. O God! who giv'st the winter's cold,
As well as summer's joyous rays,
Us warmly in thy love enfold,
And keep us through life's wintry days.

SEASONS.—GENERAL.

296 *J. Austin*, 1613–69.

HARK, my soul, how everything
Strives to serve our bounteous King:
Each a double tribute pays,
Sings its part, and then obeys.

2 Nature's chief and sweetest choir
Him with cheerful notes admire;
Chanting every day their lauds,
While the grove their song applauds.

3 Though their voices lower be,
Streams have too their melody;
Night and day they warbling run,
Never pause, but still sing on.

4 All the flowers that gild the spring
Hither their still music bring;
If heaven bless them, thankful, they
Smell more sweet, and look more gay.

5 Only we can scarce afford
This short office to our Lord;
We, on whom his bounty flows,
All things gives, and nothing owes.

6 Wake! for shame, my sluggish heart,
Wake! and gladly sing thy part;
Learn of birds, and springs, and flowers,
How to use thy nobler powers.

7 Call whole nature to thy aid;
Since 'twas he whole nature made;
Join in one eternal song,
Who to one God all belong.

8. Live for ever, glorious Lord!
Live by all thy works adored,
One in Three, and Three in One,
Thrice we bow to thee alone. Amen.

297

J. Addison, 1672-1719.

THE spacious firmament on high,
With all the blue ethereal sky,
And spangled heavens, a shining frame,
Their great Original proclaim.
The unwearied sun from day to day
Does his Creator's power display,
And publishes to every land
The works of an almighty hand.

2 Soon as the evening shades prevail
The moon takes up the wondrous tale,
And nightly to the listening earth
Repeats the story of her birth;

Whilst all the stars that round her burn,
And all the planets in their turn,
Confirm the tidings, as they roll,
And spread the truth from pole to pole.

3. What though in solemn silence all
Move round the dark terrestrial ball;
What though nor real voice nor sound
Amid their radiant orbs be found;
In reason's ear they all rejoice,
And utter forth a glorious voice;
For ever singing as they shine,
'The hand that made us is Divine.'

298

Thomas Moore, 1779–1852.

THOU art, O God, the life and light
Of all this wondrous world we see;
Its glow by day, its smile by night,
Are but reflections caught from thee:
Where'er we turn, thy glories shine,
And all things fair and bright are thine.

2 When day with farewell beam delays
Among the opening clouds of even,
And we can almost think we gaze
Through golden vistas into heaven,—
Those hues that make the sun's decline
So soft, so radiant, Lord, are thine.

3 When night with wings of starry gloom
O'ershadows all the earth and skies,
Like some dark beauteous bird whose plume
Is sparkling with unnumbered eyes,—
That sacred gloom, those fires divine,
So grand, so countless, Lord, are thine.

4.* When youthful spring around us breathes,
Thy Spirit warms her fragrant sigh,
And every flower the summer wreathes
Is born beneath that kindling eye,—
Where'er we turn, thy glories shine,
And all things fair and bright are thine.

299 *Bishop R. Heber*, 1783–1826.

WHEN spring unlocks the flowers to paint the laughing soil;
When summer's balmy showers refresh the mower's toil;
When winter binds in frosty chains the fallow and the flood;
In God the earth rejoiceth still, and owns his Maker good.

2 The birds that wake the morning, and those that love the shade;
The winds that sweep the mountain, or lull the drowsy glade;
The sun that from his amber bower rejoiceth on his way,
The moon and stars—their Master's name in silent pomp display.

3 Shall man, the lord of nature, expectant of the sky,
Shall man alone, unthankful, his little praise deny?
No; let the year forsake his course, the seasons cease to be,
Thee, Master, must we always love, and, Saviour, honour thee.

4. The flowers of spring may wither, the hope of summer fade,
The autumn droop in winter, the birds forsake the shade;
The winds be lulled, the sun and moon forget their old decree;
But we, in nature's latest hour, O Lord, will cling to thee!

Part IV.

SACRAMENTS AND OTHER RITES.

HOLY COMMUNION.

300 *J. Montgomery*, 1771-1854.

ACCORDING to thy gracious word,
In meek humility,
This will I do, my dying Lord,
I will remember thee.

2 Thy Body, broken for my sake,
My Bread from heaven shall be;
Thy testamental Cup I take,
And thus remember thee.

3 Gethsemane can I forget?
Or there thy conflict see,
Thine agony and bloody sweat,
And not remember thee?

4 When to the Cross I turn mine eyes
And rest on Calvary,
O Lamb of God, my Sacrifice,
I must remember thee:

5 Remember thee, and all thy pains,
And all thy love to me;
Yea, while a breath, a pulse remains,
Will I remember thee.

6. And when these failing lips grow dumb,
And mind and memory flee,
When thou shalt in thy kingdom come,
Jesu, remember me.

301

W. Chatterton Dix, 1837-98.

ALLELUYA, sing to Jesus,
His the sceptre, his the throne;
Alleluya, his the triumph,
His the victory alone:
Hark the songs of peaceful Sion
Thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus, out of every nation,
Hath redeemed us by his Blood.

2* Alleluya, not as orphans
Are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluya, he is near us,
Faith believes, nor questions how;
Though the cloud from sight received him
When the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget his promise,
'I am with you evermore'?

3 Alleluya, Bread of Angels,
Thou on earth our Food, our Stay;
Alleluya, here the sinful
Flee to thee from day to day;
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
Earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless
Sweep across the crystal sea.

4. Alleluya, King eternal,
Thee the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluya, born of Mary,
Earth thy footstool, Heaven thy throne:
Thou within the veil hast entered,
Robed in flesh, our great High Priest;
Thou on earth both Priest and Victim
In the Eucharistic Feast.

302 *At the Communion.* *W. Bright*, 1824–1901.

AND now, O Father, mindful of the love
That bought us, once for all, on Calvary's Tree,
And having with us him that pleads above,
We here present, we here spread forth to thee
That only Offering perfect in thine eyes,
The one true, pure, immortal Sacrifice.

2 Look, Father, look on his anointed face,
And only look on us as found in him;
Look not on our misusings of thy grace,
Our prayer so languid, and our faith so dim:
For lo! between our sins and their reward
We set the Passion of thy Son our Lord.

Part 2.

3 And then for those, our dearest and our best,
By this prevailing presence we appeal;
O fold them closer to thy mercy's breast,
O do thine utmost for their souls' true weal:
From tainting mischief keep them white and clear,
And crown thy gifts with strength to persevere.

4. And so we come; O draw us to thy feet,
Most patient Saviour, who canst love us still;
And by this Food, so awful and so sweet,
Deliver us from every touch of ill:
In thine own service make us glad and free,
And grant us never more to part with thee.

303 *C. Wesley*, 1707–88.

AUTHOR of life divine,
Who hast a table spread,
Furnished with mystic Wine
And everlasting Bread,
Preserve the life thyself hast given,
And feed and train us up for heaven.

2. Our needy souls sustain
With fresh supplies of love,
Till all thy life we gain,
And all thy fullness prove,
And, strengthened by thy perfect grace,
Behold without a veil thy face.

304 *At the Communion.* *J. Conder*†, 1789–1857

BREAD of heaven, on thee we feed,
For thy Flesh is meat indeed;
Ever may our souls be fed
With this true and living Bread,
Day by day with strength supplied
Through the life of him who died.

2. Vine of heaven, thy Blood supplies
This blest cup of sacrifice;
'Tis thy wounds our healing give;
To thy Cross we look and live:
Thou our life! O let us be
Rooted, grafted, built on thee.

305 *At the Communion.* *Bishop R. Heber*, 1783–1826.

BREAD of the world in mercy broken,
Wine of the soul in mercy shed,
By whom the words of life were spoken,
And in whose death our sins are dead:
Look on the heart by sorrow broken,
Look on the tears by sinners shed,
And be thy feast to us the token
That by thy grace our souls are fed!

306 *Before Communion, or Preparation.* *J. Franck*, 1618–77. *Tr. C. Winkworth.*

Schmücke dich.

DECK thyself, my soul, with gladness,
Leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,
Come into the daylight's splendour,
There with joy thy praises render

Unto him whose grace unbounded
Hath this wondrous banquet founded;
High o'er all the heavens he reigneth,
Yet to dwell with thee he deigneth.

2* Now I sink before thee lowly,
Filled with joy most deep and holy,
As with trembling awe and wonder
On thy mighty works I ponder;
How, by mystery surrounded,
Depths no man hath ever sounded,
None may dare to pierce unbidden
Secrets that with thee are hidden.

At the Communion. *Part* 2.

3 Sun, who all my life dost brighten;
Light, who dost my soul enlighten;
Joy, the sweetest man e'er knoweth;
Fount, whence all my being floweth:
At thy feet I cry, my Maker,
Let me be a fit partaker
Of this blessèd food from heaven,
For our good, thy glory, given.

4. Jesus, Bread of Life, I pray thee,
Let me gladly here obey thee;
Never to my hurt invited,
Be thy love with love requited:
From this banquet let me measure,
Lord, how vast and deep its treasure;
Through the gifts thou here dost give me,
As thy guest in heaven receive me.

307

7th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.

Sancti, venite, Christi Corpus sumite.

DRAW nigh, and take the Body of the Lord,
And drink the holy Blood for you outpoured,

Saved by that Body, hallowed by that Blood,
Whereby refreshed we render thanks to God.

2 Salvation's giver, Christ the only Son,
By that his Cross and Blood the victory won.
Offered was he for greatest and for least:
Himself the Victim, and himself the Priest.

3* Victims were offered by the law of old,
That, in a type, celestial mysteries told.
He, Ransomer from death and Light from shade,
Giveth his holy grace his saints to aid.

4 Approach ye then with faithful hearts sincere,
And take the safeguard of salvation here.
He that in this world rules his saints and shields,
To all believers life eternal yields:

5.* With heavenly Bread makes them that hunger whole,
Gives living waters to the thirsty soul.
Alpha and Omega, to whom shall bow
All nations at the Doom, is with us now.

308 *At the Communion.* *W. H. H. Jervois and W. B. T.*

FATHER, see thy children bending at thy throne,
Pleading here the Passion of thine only Son,
Pleading here before thee all his dying love,
As he pleads it ever in the courts above.

2. Not for our wants only we this Offering plead,
But for all thy children who thy mercy need:
Bless thy faithful people, win thy wandering sheep,
Keep the souls departed who in Jesus sleep.

309 *Other occasions also.* *F. S. Pierpoint,* 1835–1917.

FOR the beauty of the earth,
For the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies:
Christ our God, to thee we raise
This our sacrifice of praise.

2 For the beauty of each hour
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower,
Sun and moon and stars of light:

3 For the joy of ear and eye,
For the heart and brain's delight,
For the mystic harmony
Linking sense to sound and sight:

4 For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above,
For all gentle thoughts and mild:

5 For each perfect gift of thine
To our race so freely given,
Graces human and divine,
Flowers of earth and buds of heaven:

6* For thy Bride that evermore
Lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore
This pure sacrifice of love:

7* For thy Martyrs' crown of light,
For thy Prophets' eagle eye,
For thy bold Confessors' might,
For the lips of infancy:

8.* For thy Virgins' robes of snow,
For thy Maiden-mother mild,
For thyself, with hearts aglow,
Jesu, Victim undefiled:

310 *After Communion. Liturgy of St. James, Tr. C.W.H.*

Ἀπὸ δόξης εἰς δόξαν πορευόμενοι.

FROM glory to glory advancing, we praise thee, O Lord;
Thy name with the Father and Spirit be ever adored.

2 From strength unto strength we go forward on Sion's highway,
To appear before God in the city of infinite day.

3 Thanksgiving, and glory and worship, and blessing and love,
One heart and one song have the Saints upon earth and above.

4. Evermore, O Lord, to thy servants thy presence be nigh;
Ever fit us by service on earth for thy service on high.

311 *At the Communion.* 14*th cent. Tr. H. N. Oxenham.*

Ave, verum Corpus natum.

HAIL, true Body, born of Mary,
Spotless Virgin's virgin birth;
Thou who truly hangedst weary
On the Cross for sons of earth;
Thou whose sacred side was riven,
Whence the Water flowed and Blood,
O may'st thou, dear Lord, be given
At death's hour to be my food:
O most kind! O gracious One!
O sweetest Jesu, holy Mary's Son!

312 *H. Bonar*, 1808-89.

HERE, O my Lord, I see thee face to face;
Here faith would touch and handle things unseen;
Here grasp with firmer hand the eternal grace,
And all my weariness upon thee lean.

2 Here would I feed upon the Bread of God;
Here drink with thee the royal Wine of heaven;
Here would I lay aside each earthly load;
Here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiven.

3 I have no help but thine; nor do I need
Another arm save thine to lean upon:
It is enough, my Lord, enough indeed;
My strength is in thy might, thy might alone.

4. Mine is the sin, but thine the righteousness;
Mine is the guilt, but thine the cleansing Blood;
Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace,—
Thy Blood, thy righteousness, O Lord my God.

313 *At the Communion.* *Percy Dearmer*, 1867-1936.

HOLY God, we show forth here
Jesus' death our hearts to clear,
Jesus' life our life to be,
Jesus' love the world to free.
Stay the faithful, win the strayed,
Bless the living and the dead.
Father lead us,
Saviour feed us,
Spirit be our store,
Now and evermore.

Part 2.

2. Lord, unite us every one
Each to other, through thy Son;
Join us truly heart to heart,
Let us ne'er be drawn apart:
All one Bread, one Body we,
Bound by love to all and thee.
Blessèd Master,
Bind us faster;
In thy love divine,
Love we thee and thine!

314 *T. Parnell*, 1679-1717.

HOLY Jesus! God of love!
Look with pity from above!
Shed the precious purple tide
From thine hands, thy feet, thy side;

2. Let thy streams of comfort roll,
Let them please and fill my soul.
Let me thus for ever be,
Full of gladness, full of thee.

315 *After Communion.* *F. W. Faber*, 1814-63.

JESU, gentlest Saviour,
God of might and power,
Thou thyself art dwelling
In us at this hour.

2 Nature cannot hold thee,
Heaven is all too strait
For thine endless glory
And thy royal state.

3 Out beyond the shining
Of the furthest star
Thou art ever stretching
Infinitely far.

4 Yet the hearts of children
Hold what worlds cannot,
And the God of wonders
Loves the lowly spot.

5 Jesu, gentlest Saviour,
Thou art in us now;
Fill us full of goodness
Till our hearts o'erflow.

6. Multiply our graces,
Chiefly love and fear,
And, dear Lord, the chiefest,
Grace to persevere.

316 *Suitable also for other occasions.*

Charlotte Elliott, 1789-1871.

JUST as I am, without one plea
But that thy Blood was shed for me,
And that thou bidd'st me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come.

2 Just as I am, though tossed about
With many a conflict, many a doubt,
Fightings within, and fears without,

3 Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,
Yea all I need, in thee to find,

4 Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve:
Because thy promise I believe,

5 Just as I am (thy love unknown
Has broken every barrier down),
Now to be thine, yea, thine alone,

6. Just as I am, of that free love
The breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,
Here for a season, then above,

317 *Sequence.* *St. Thomas Aquinas*, 1227-74. *Tr. cento.*

Lauda, Sion, Salvatorem.

LAUD, O Sion, thy salvation,
Laud with hymns of exultation
Christ, thy King and Shepherd true:
Spend thyself, his honour raising,
Who surpasseth all thy praising;
Never canst thou reach his due.

2* Sing to-day, the mystery showing
Of the living, life-bestowing
Bread from heaven before thee set;
E'en the same of old provided,
Where the Twelve, divinely guided,
At the holy Table met.

3 Full and clear ring out thy chanting,
Joy nor sweetest grace be wanting
To thy heart and soul to-day;
When we gather up the measure
Of that Supper and its treasure,
Keeping feast in glad array.

4 Lo, the new King's Table gracing,
This new Passover of blessing
Hath fulfilled the elder rite:
Now the new the old effaceth,
Truth revealed the shadow chaseth,
Day is breaking on the night.

5 What he did at Supper seated,
Christ ordained to be repeated,
His memorial ne'er to cease:
And, his word for guidance taking,
Bread and wine we hallow, making
Thus our Sacrifice of peace.

6 This the truth to Christians given—
Bread becomes his Flesh from heaven,
Wine becomes his holy Blood.
Doth it pass thy comprehending?
Yet by faith, thy sight transcending,
Wondrous things are understood.

7 Yea, beneath these signs are hidden
Glorious things to sight forbidden:
Look not on the outward sign.
Wine is poured and Bread is broken,
But in either sacred token
Christ is here by power divine.

8 Whoso of this Food partaketh,
Rendeth not the Lord nor breaketh:
Christ is whole to all that taste.
Thousands are, as one, receivers
One, as thousands of believers,
Takes the Food that cannot waste.

9* Good and evil men are sharing
One repast, a doom preparing
Varied as the heart of man;
Doom of life or death awarded,
As their days shall be recorded
Which from one beginning ran.

10 When the Sacrament is broken,
Doubt not in each severed token,
Hallowed by the word once spoken,
Resteth all the true content:
Nought the precious Gift divideth,
Breaking but the sign betideth,
He himself the same abideth,
Nothing of his fullness spent.

Part 2.

Ecce! Panis Angelorum.

11 Lo! the Angels' Food is given
To the pilgrim who hath striven;
See the children's Bread from heaven,
Which to dogs may not be cast;
Truth the ancient types fulfilling,
Isaac bound, a victim willing,
Paschal lamb, its life-blood spilling,
Manna sent in ages past.

Part 3.

Bone Pastor, Panis vere.

12. O true Bread, good Shepherd, tend us,
Jesu, of thy love befriend us,
Thou refresh us, thou defend us,
Thine eternal goodness send us
In the land of life to see;
Thou who all things canst and knowest,
Who on earth such Food bestowest,
Grant us with thy Saints, though lowest,
Where the heavenly Feast thou showest,
Fellow-heirs and guests to be.

318

Liturgy of St. James. Tr. G. Moultrie.

Σιγησάτω πᾶσα σὰρξ βροτεία.

LET all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand;
Ponder nothing earthly-minded, for with blessing in his hand,
Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand.

2 King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture—in the Body and the Blood—
He will give to all the faithful his own Self for heavenly Food.

3 Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way,
As the Light of light descendeth from the realms of endless day,
That the powers of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away.

4. At his feet the six-winged Seraph; Cherubim with sleepless eye,
Veil their faces to the Presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry,
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Lord most high.

319

G. H. Bourne, 1840-1925.

LORD, enthroned in heavenly splendour,
First-begotten from the dead,
Thou alone, our strong Defender,
Liftest up thy people's head.
Alleluya,
Jesu, true and living Bread!

2 Here our humblest homage pay we;
Here in loving reverence bow;

Here for Faith's discernment pray we,
Lest we fail to know thee now.
Alleluya,
Thou art here, we ask not how.

3*Though the lowliest form doth veil thee
As of old in Bethlehem,
Here as there thine Angels hail thee,
Branch and Flower of Jesse's stem.
Alleluya,
We in worship join with them.

4*Paschal Lamb, thine Offering, finished
Once for all when thou wast slain,
In its fullness undiminished
Shall for evermore remain,
Alleluya,
Cleansing souls from every stain.

5.*Life-imparting heavenly Manna,
Stricken Rock with streaming side,
Heaven and earth with loud hosanna
Worship thee, the Lamb who died,
Alleluya,
Risen, ascended, glorified!

320

P. Doddridge, 1702-51.

MY God, and is thy Table spread,
And does thy Cup with Love o'erflow?
Thither be all thy children led,
And let them all thy sweetness know.

2 Hail, sacred Feast, which Jesus makes!
Rich Banquet of his Flesh and Blood!
Thrice happy he, who here partakes
That sacred Stream, that heavenly Food.

3. O let thy Table honoured be,
And furnished well with joyful guests;
And may each soul salvation see,
That here its sacred Pledges tastes.

321 *At the Communion.* c. 1661. *Tr. A. R.*

O esca viatorum.

O FOOD of men wayfaring,
The Bread of Angels sharing,
O Manna from on high!
We hunger; Lord, supply us,
Nor thy delights deny us,
Whose hearts to thee draw nigh.

2 O Stream of love past telling,
O purest Fountain, welling
From out the Saviour's side!
We faint with thirst; revive us,
Of thine abundance give us,
And all we need provide.

3. O Jesu, by thee bidden,
We here adore thee, hidden
'Neath forms of bread and wine.
Grant when the veil is riven,
We may behold, in heaven,
Thy countenance divine.

322 *W. E. Gladstone*, 1809-98.

O LEAD my blindness by the hand,
Lead me to thy familiar Feast,
Not here or now to understand,
Yet even here and now to taste
How the eternal Word of heaven
On earth in broken bread is given.

2 We, who this holy precinct round
In one adoring circle kneel,
May we in one intent be bound,
And one serene devotion feel;
And grow around thy sacred shrine
Like tendrils of the deathless Vine.

3. We, who with one blest Food are fed,
Into one body may we grow,
And one pure life from thee, the Head,
Informing all the members flow;
One pulse be felt in every vein,
One law of pleasure and of pain.

323

Bishop R. Heber, 1783-1826.

O, MOST merciful!
O, most bountiful!
God the Father Almighty!
By the Redeemer's
Sweet intercession
Hear us, help us when we cry.

324

Col. W. H. Turton, 1856-1938.

O THOU, who at thy Eucharist didst pray
That all thy Church might be for ever one,
Grant us at every Eucharist to say
With longing heart and soul, 'Thy will be done.'
Oh, may we all one Bread, one Body be,
One through this Sacrament of unity.

2 For all thy Church, O Lord, we intercede;
Make thou our sad divisions soon to cease;
Draw us the nearer each to each, we plead,
By drawing all to thee, O Prince of Peace:
Thus may we all one Bread, one Body be,
One through this Sacrament of unity.

3 We pray thee too for wanderers from thy Fold;
O bring them back, good Shepherd of the sheep,
Back to the Faith which Saints believed of old,
Back to the Church which still that Faith doth keep:
Soon may we all one Bread, one Body be,
One through this Sacrament of unity.

4. So, Lord, at length when Sacraments shall cease,
We may be one with all thy Church above,
One with thy Saints in one unbroken peace,
One with thy Saints in one unbounded love:
More blessèd still, in peace and love to be
One with the Trinity in Unity.

325 *Emperor Justinian*, 483–565. *Tr. T. A. L.*

Ὁ μονογενὴς Υἱός.

O WORD immortal of eternal God,
Only-begotten of the only Source,
For our salvation stooping to the course
Of human life, and born of Mary's blood;
Sprung from the ever-virgin womanhood
Of her who bare thee, God immutable,
Incarnate, made as man with man to dwell,
And condescending to the bitter Rood;

2. Save us, O Christ our God, for thou hast died
To save thy people to the uttermost,
And dying tramplest death in victory;
One of the ever-blessèd Trinity,
In equal honour with the Holy Ghost,
And with the eternal Father glorified. Amen.

326 *St. Thomas Aquinas*, 1227–74. *Tr. J. M. Neale, E. Caswall, and others.*

Pange, lingua, gloriosi Corporis mysterium.

OF the glorious Body telling,
O my tongue, its mysteries sing,
And the Blood, all price excelling,
Which the world's eternal King,
In a noble womb once dwelling,
Shed for this world's ransoming.

2 Given for us, for us descending,
Of a Virgin to proceed,
Man with man in converse blending,
Scattered he the Gospel seed,
Till his sojourn drew to ending,
Which he closed in wondrous deed.

3 At the last great Supper lying
Circled by his brethren's band,
Meekly with the law complying,
First he finished its command,
Then, immortal Food supplying,
Gave himself with his own hand.

4 Word made Flesh, by word he maketh
Very bread his Flesh to be;
Man in wine Christ's Blood partaketh:
And if senses fail to see,
Faith alone the true heart waketh
To behold the mystery.

Part 2.

Tantum ergo.

5 Therefore we, before him bending,
This great Sacrament revere;
Types and shadows have their ending,
For the newer rite is here;
Faith, our outward sense befriending,
Makes the inward vision clear.

6. Glory let us give, and blessing
To the Father and the Son;
Honour, might, and praise addressing,
While eternal ages run;
Ever too his love confessing,
Who, from both, with both is one. Amen.

327

W. Bright, 1824-1901.

ONCE, only once, and once for all,
His precious life he gave;
Before the Cross in faith we fall,
And own it strong to save.

2 'One offering, single and complete,'
With lips and hearts we say;
But what he never can repeat
He shows forth day by day.

3 For as the priest of Aaron's line
Within the holiest stood,
And sprinkled all the mercy-shrine
With sacrificial blood;

4 So he, who once atonement wrought,
Our Priest of endless power,
Presents himself for those he bought
In that dark noontide hour.

5 His Manhood pleads where now it lives
On heaven's eternal throne,
And where in mystic rite he gives
Its presence to his own.

6. And so we show thy death, O Lord,
Till thou again appear,
And feel, when we approach thy board,
We have an altar here.

328 *At the Communion.* *W. H. H. Jervois*, 1852–1905.

SEE, Father, thy belovèd Son,
Whom here we now present to thee;
The all-sufficient Sacrifice,
The sinner's one and only plea.

2. Through him we pray for all we love,
For all by pain or sin opprest;
For souls departed in thy fear:
O grant them thine eternal rest.

329 *After Communion.* *Liturgy of Malabar.*
Tr. C. W. H. and P. D.

Ḥayyēl Māran 'īdhē daphshaṭ.

STRENGTHEN for service, Lord, the hands
That holy things have taken;
Let ears that now have heard thy songs
To clamour never waken.

2 Lord, may the tongues which 'Holy' sang
Keep free from all deceiving;
The eyes which saw thy love be bright,
Thy blessèd hope perceiving.

3. The feet that tread thy holy courts
From light do thou not banish;
The bodies by thy Body fed
With thy new life replenish.

330 *St. Thomas Aquinas*, 1227–74.
Tr. J. M. Neale, E. Caswall, and others.

Verbum supernum prodiens, nec Patris.

THE Word of God, proceeding forth
Yet leaving not his Father's side,
And going to his work on earth,
Had reached at length life's eventide;

2 By false disciple to be given
To foemen for his blood athirst,
Himself, the living Bread from heaven,
He gave to his disciples first.

3 In twofold form of sacrament
He gave his Flesh, he gave his Blood,
That man, of twofold substance blent,
Might wholly feed on mystic food.

4 In birth man's fellow-man was he,
His meat while sitting at the board;
He died, his ransomer to be,
He reigns to be his great reward.

Part 2.

O salutaris.

5 O saving Victim! opening wide
The gate of heaven to man below,
Our foes press hard on every side,—
Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.

6. All praise and thanks to thee ascend
For evermore, blest One in Three;
O grant us life that shall not end
In our true native land with thee. Amen.

331 *St. Thomas Aquinas*, 1227–74. *Tr. Bishop J. R. Woodford.*

Adoro te devote.

THEE we adore, O hidden Saviour, thee,
Who in thy Sacrament art pleased to be;
Both flesh and spirit in thy presence fail,
Yet here thy Presence we devoutly hail.

2 O blest Memorial of our dying Lord,
Who living Bread to men doth here afford!
O may our souls for ever feed on thee,
And thou, O Christ, for ever precious be.

3* Fountain of goodness, Jesu, Lord and God,
Cleanse us, unclean, with thy most cleansing Blood;
Increase our faith and love, that we may know
The hope and peace which from thy Presence flow.

4*. O Christ, whom now beneath a veil we see,
May what we thirst for soon our portion be,
To gaze on thee unveiled, and see thy face,
The vision of thy glory and thy grace.

332 *Suitable also for other occasions.* *W. Cowper*, 1731–1800.

THERE is a fountain filled with Blood,
Drawn from Emmanuel's veins,
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains.

2 The dying thief rejoiced to see
That fountain in his day;
And there have I, as vile as he,
Washed all my sins away.

3 Dear dying Lamb, thy precious Blood
Shall never lose its power,
Till all the ransomed Church of God
Be saved to sin no more.

4 E'er since by faith I saw the stream
Thy flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme,
And shall be till I die.

5 Then in a nobler, sweeter song,
I'll sing thy power to save,
When this poor lisping, stammering tongue
Lies silent in the grave.

6 Lord, I believe thou hast prepared,
Unworthy though I be,
For me a blood-bought free reward,
A golden harp for me.

7. 'Tis strung and tuned for endless years,
And formed by power divine,
To sound in God the Father's ears
No other name but thine.

333

C. Wesley, 1707-88.

VICTIM Divine, thy grace we claim
While thus thy precious Death we show;
Once offered up, a spotless Lamb,
In thy great temple here below,
Thou didst for all mankind atone,
And standest now before the throne.

2 Thou standest in the holiest place,
As now for guilty sinners slain;
Thy Blood of sprinkling speaks and prays
All-prevalent for helpless man;
Thy Blood is still our ransom found,
And spreads salvation all around.

3. We need not now go up to heaven
To bring the long-sought Saviour down;
Thou art to all already given,
Thou dost e'en now thy banquet crown:
To every faithful soul appear,
And show thy real Presence here.

334 *V. & S. C.*

WE pray thee, heavenly Father.
To hear us in thy love,
And pour upon thy children
The unction from above;
That so in love abiding,
From all defilement free,
We may in pureness offer
Our Eucharist to thee.

2 All that we have we offer,
For it is all thine own,
All gifts, by thine appointment,
In bread and cup are shown;
One thing alone we bring not,
The wilfulness of sin,
And all we bring is nothing
Save that which is within.

3 Within the pure oblation,
Beneath the outward sign,
By that his operation,—
The Holy Ghost divine,—
Lies hid the sacred Body,
Lies hid the precious Blood,
Once slain, now ever glorious,
Of Christ our Lord and God.

4. Wherefore, though all unworthy
To offer sacrifice,
We pray that this our duty
Be pleasing in thine eyes;
For praise, and thanks and worship,
For mercy and for aid,
The Catholic oblation
Of Jesus Christ is made.

335 *At the Communion.* *W. H. H. Jervois*, 1852–1905.

WHEREFORE, O Father, we thy humble servants
Here bring before thee Christ thy well-belovèd,
All-perfect Offering, Sacrifice immortal,
Spotless Oblation.

2. See now thy children, making intercession
Through him our Saviour, Son of God incarnate,
For all thy people, living and departed,
Pleading before thee.

HOLY BAPTISM.

336 *B. Schmolck*, 1672–1737. *Tr. Catherine Winkworth* †.
Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier.

BLESSÈD Jesu! here we stand,
Met to do as thou hast spoken:
And this child, at thy command,
Now we bring to thee, in token
That to Christ it here is given;
For of such shall be his heaven.

2* Yes! thy warning voice is plain,
And we fain would keep it duly:
He who is not born again,
Heart and life renewing truly,
Born of water and the Spirit,
Will God's kingdom ne'er inherit.

3 Make it, Head, thy member now;
Shepherd, take thy lamb and feed it:
Prince of Peace, its peace be thou;
Way of life, to heaven, O, lead it:
Vine, this branch may nothing sever,
Grafted firm in thee for ever.

4. Now upon thy heart it lies,
What our hearts so dearly treasure;
Heavenward lead our burdened sighs,
Pour thy blessing without measure;
Write the name we now have given,
Write it in the book of heaven.

337

H. Alford, 1810–71.

IN token that thou shalt not fear
Christ crucified to own,
We print the Cross upon thee here,
And stamp thee his alone.

2 In token that thou shalt not blush
To glory in his name,
We blazon here upon thy front
His glory and his shame.

3 In token that thou shalt not flinch
Christ's quarrel to maintain,
But 'neath his banner manfully
Firm at thy post remain;

4 In token that thou too shalt tread
The path he travelled by,
Endure the Cross, despise the shame,
And sit thee down on high:

5. Thus outwardly and visibly
We seal thee for his own;
And may the brow that wears his Cross
Hereafter share his crown.

338

H. von Laufenberg, d. c. 1458. *Tr. C. Winkworth*‡.

Ach lieber Herre, Jesu Christ.

LORD Jesu Christ, our Lord most dear,
As thou wast once an infant here,
So give this child of thine, we pray,
Thy grace and blessing day by day.

O holy Jesu, Lord Divine,
We pray thee guard this child of thine.

2 As in thy heavenly kingdom, Lord,
All things obey thy sacred word,
Do thou thy mighty succour give,
And shield this child by morn and eve.

3. Their watch let angels round *him* keep
Where'er *he* be, awake, asleep;
Thy holy Cross now let *him* bear,
That *he* thy crown with Saints may wear.

339

J. M. Neale, 1818–66.

WITH Christ we share a mystic grave,
With Christ we buried lie;
But 'tis not in the darksome cave
By mournful Calvary.

2 The pure and bright baptismal flood
Entombs our nature's stain:
New creatures from the cleansing wave
With Christ we rise again.

3 Thrice blest, if through this world of sin
And lust and selfish care
Our resurrection mantle white
And undefiled we wear.

4 Thrice blest, if through the gate of death,
Glorious at last and free,
We to our joyful rising pass,
O risen Lord, with thee.

5. And now to thy thrice holy Name,
The God whom we adore,
To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Be glory evermore. Amen.

The following are also suitable:

93 The God of love my Shepherd is.
389 Fight the good fight with all thy might.
426 Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us.
484 Take up thy cross, the Saviour said.
488 The Church of God a kingdom is.

340 *W. Bright*, 1824–1901.

BEHOLD us, Lord, before thee met,
Whom each bright angel serves and fears,
Who on thy throne rememberest yet
Thy spotless boyhood's quiet years;
Whose feet the hills of Nazareth trod,
Who art true Man and perfect God.

2* To thee we look, in thee confide,
Our help is in thine own dear name;
For who on Jesus e'er relied,
And found not Jesus still the same?
Thus far thy love our souls hath brought:
O stablish well what thou hast wrought.

3 The seed of our baptismal life,
O living Word, by thee was sown;
So where thy soldiers wage their strife
Our post we take, our vows we own,
And ask, in thine appointed way,
Confirm us in thy grace to-day.

4* We need thee more than tongue can speak,
'Mid foes that well might cast us down;
But thousands, once as young and weak,
Have fought the fight, and won the crown;
We ask the help that bore them through,
We trust the Faithful and the True.

5. So bless us with the gift complete
By hands of thy chief pastors given,
That awful Presence kind and sweet
Which comes in sevenfold might from heaven;
Eternal Christ, to thee we bow,
Give us thy Spirit here and now.

341 *M. Bridges*, 1800–94.

MY God, accept my heart this day,
And make it always thine,
That I from thee no more may stray,
No more from thee decline.

2 Before the Cross of him who died,
Behold, I prostrate fall;
Let every sin be crucified,
And Christ be All in all.

3 Anoint me with thy heavenly grace,
And seal me for thine own;
That I may see thy glorious face,
And worship at thy throne.

4 Let every thought, and work, and word
To thee be ever given;
Then life shall be thy service, Lord,
And death the gate of heaven.

5. All glory to the Father be,
All glory to the Son,
All glory, Holy Ghost, to thee,
While endless ages run. Amen.

342

Anon ‡ (*c.* 1850).

LORD, in thy presence dread and sweet,
Thine own dear Spirit we entreat
His sevenfold gifts to shed
On us, who fall before thee now,
Bearing the Cross upon our brow
On which our Master bled.

2 Spirit of Wisdom! turn our eyes
From earth and earthly vanities,
To heavenly truth and love.
Spirit of Understanding true!
Our souls with holy light endue
To seek the things above.

3 Spirit of Counsel! be our guide;
Teach us by earthly struggles tried
Our heavenly crown to win.
Spirit of Fortitude! thy power
Be with us in temptation's hour,
To keep us pure from sin.

4 Spirit of Knowledge! lead our feet
In thine own paths secure and sweet,
By Angel footsteps trod;
Where thou our Guardian true shalt be,
Spirit of gentle Piety!
To keep us close to God.

5 But most of all, be ever near,
Spirit of God's most holy Fear,
In our heart's inmost shrine:
Our souls with loving reverence fill,
To worship his most holy Will
All-righteous and divine.

6. So, dearest Lord, through peace or strife,
Lead us to everlasting life,
Where only rest may be.
What matter where our lot is cast,
If only it may end at last
In Paradise with thee!

343

C. Wesley, 1707–88.

O THOU who camest from above,
The pure celestial fire to impart,
Kindle a flame of sacred love
On the mean altar of my heart.

2 There let it for thy glory burn
With inextinguishable blaze,
And trembling to its source return
In humble prayer, and fervent praise.

3 Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
To work, and speak, and think for thee;
Still let me guard the holy fire,
And still stir up thy gift in me.

4. Ready for all thy perfect will,
My acts of faith and love repeat,
Till death thy endless mercies seal,
And make my sacrifice complete.

344 *Mrs. M. F. Maude*, 1820–1918.

THINE for ever! God of love,
Hear us from thy throne above;
Thine for ever may we be
Here and in eternity.

2 Thine for ever! O, how blest
They who find in thee their rest!
Saviour, Guardian, heavenly Friend,
O defend us to the end.

3 Thine for ever! Lord of life,
Shield us through our earthly strife;
Thou the Life, the Truth, the Way,
Guide us to the realms of day.

4* Thine for ever! Shepherd, keep
These thy frail and trembling sheep;
Safe alone beneath thy care,
Let us all thy goodness share.

5. Thine for ever! thou our Guide,
All our wants by thee supplied,
All our sins by thee forgiven,
Led by thee from earth to heaven.

The following are also suitable:

152 Come down, O Love divine.
153 Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire.
154 Come, O Creator Spirit, come.
155 Come, thou holy Paraclete.
157 Our blest Redeemer, ere he breathed.
384 Eternal Ruler.
389 Fight the good fight with all thy might.
429 'Lift up your hearts!'
438 Love of the Father, love of God the Son.
439 My faith looks up to thee.
479 Soldiers of Christ, arise.
480 Soldiers, who are Christ's below.
518 Ye servants of the Lord.

345 *J. Ellerton*, 1826–93.

O FATHER all creating,
Whose wisdom, love, and power
First bound two lives together
In Eden's primal hour,
To-day to these thy children
Thine earliest gifts renew,—
A home by thee made happy,
A love by thee kept true.

2 O Saviour, Guest most bounteous
Of old in Galilee,
Vouchsafe to-day thy presence
With these who call on thee;
Their store of earthly gladness
Transform to heavenly wine,
And teach them, in the tasting,
To know the gift is thine.

3 O Spirit of the Father,
Breathe on them from above,
So mighty in thy pureness,
So tender in thy love;
That guarded by thy presence,
From sin and strife kept free,
Their lives may own thy guidance,
Their hearts be ruled by thee.

4. Except thou build it, Father,
The house is built in vain;
Except thou, Saviour, bless it,
The joy will turn to pain;
But nought can break the marriage
Of hearts in thee made one,
And love thy Spirit hallows
Is endless love begun.

346

Mrs. Dorothy Frances Gurney, 1858-1932.

O PERFECT Love, all human thought transcending,
Lowly we kneel in prayer before thy throne,
That theirs may be the love which knows no ending
Whom thou for evermore dost join in one.

2 O perfect Life, be thou their full assurance
Of tender charity and steadfast faith,
Of patient hope, and quiet brave endurance,
With childlike trust that fears nor pain nor death.

3. Grant them the joy which brightens earthly sorrow,
Grant them the peace which calms all earthly strife;
And to life's day the glorious unknown morrow
That dawns upon eternal love and life.

347

Bishop Mandell Creighton, 1843-1901.

O THOU who gavest power to love
That we might fix our hearts on thee,
Preparing us for joys above
By that which here on earth we see:

2 Thy Spirit trains our souls to know
The growing purpose of thy will,
And gives to love the power to show
That purpose growing larger still;

3* Larger, as love to reverent eyes
Makes manifest another soul,
And shows to life a richer prize,
A clearer course, a nobler goal.

4 Lord, grant thy servants who implore
Thy blessing on the hearts they blend,
That from that union evermore
New joys may blossom to the end.

5 Make what is best in each combine
To purge all earthly dross away,
To strengthen, purify, refine,
To beautify each coming day.

6. So may they hand in hand advance
Along life's path from troubles free;
Brave to meet adverse circumstance
Because their love points up to thee.

348

J. Keble, 1792-1866.

THE voice that breathed o'er Eden,
That earliest wedding day,
The primal marriage blessing,
It hath not passed away:

2 Still in the pure espousal
Of Christian man and maid
The Holy Three are with us,
The threefold grace is said,

3 For dower of blessèd children,
For love and faith's sweet sake,
For high mysterious union
Which naught on earth may break.

4 * Be present, awful Father,
To give away this bride,
As Eve thou gav'st to Adam
Out of his own pierced side;

5 * Be present, Son of Mary,
To join their loving hands,
As thou didst bind two natures
In thine eternal bands;

6 * Be present, holiest Spirit,
To bless them as they kneel,
As thou for Christ, the Bridegroom,
The heavenly Spouse dost seal.

7 O spread thy pure wing o'er them,
Let no ill power find place,
When onward to thine altar
The hallowed path they trace,

8. To cast their crowns before thee
In perfect sacrifice,
Till to the home of gladness
With Christ's own Bride they rise.

The following are also suitable:

385 Father, hear the prayer we offer.
387 Father of heaven, whose love profound.
398 Happy are they, they that love God.
426 Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us.
437 Love divine, all loves excelling.
450 O God, our help in ages past.
453 O Holy Spirit, Lord of grace.
454 O King enthroned on high.
502 Through all the changing scenes of life.

THE SICK.

349 *Troparia: Greek Office of Anointing.* *Tr. J. B.*

Ταχὺς εἰς ἀντίληψιν, μόνος ὑπάρχων Χριστέ.

THOU, Lord, hast power to heal,
And thou wilt quickly aid,
For thou dost deeply feel
The stripes upon us laid:
Thou who wast wounded by the rod
Uplifted in the hand of God.

2 Send speedy help, we pray,
To *him* who ailing lies,
That from *his* couch *he* may
With thankful heart arise;
Through prayers which all availing find
Thine ear, O Lover of mankind.

3. O blinded are our eyes,
And all are held in night;
But like the blind who cries,
We cry to thee for light;
In penitence, O Christ, we pray,
Give us the radiant light of day.

THE DEPARTED.

350 *Verses 2 and 3 at Holy Communion only.*
13th cent. Tr. R. F. Littledale.

De profundis exclamantes.

CHRIST, enthroned in highest heaven,
Hear us crying from the deep,
For the faithful ones departed,
For the souls of all that sleep;
As thy kneeling Church entreateth,
Hearken, Shepherd of the sheep.

2* King of Glory, hear our voices,
Grant thy faithful rest, we pray;
We have sinned, and may not bide it,
If thou mark our steps astray,
Yet we plead that saving Victim,
Which for them we bring to-day.

3* That which thou thyself hast offered
To thy Father, offer we;
Let it win for them a blessing,
Bless them, Jesu, set them free:
They are thine, they wait in patience,
Merciful and gracious be.

4 They are thine, O take them quickly,
Thou their Hope, O raise them high;
Ever hoping, ever trusting,
Unto thee they strive and cry;
Day and night, both morn and even,
Be, O Christ, their Guardian nigh.

5* Let thy plenteous loving-kindness
On them, as we pray, be poured;
Let them through thy boundless mercy,
From all evil be restored;
Hearken to the gentle pleading
Of thy Mother, gracious Lord.

6* When, O kind and radiant Jesu,
Kneels the Queen thy throne before,
Let the court of Saints attending,
Mercy for the dead implore;
Hearken, loving Friend of sinners,
Whom the Cross exalted bore.

7. Hear and answer prayers devoutest,
Break, O Lord, each binding chain,
Dash the gates of death asunder,
Quell the devil and his train;
Bring the souls which thou hast ransomed
Evermore in joy to reign.

351 *Sequence.* *Thomas of Celano, 13th cent.*
Tr. W. J. Irons ‡.

Dies irae, dies illa.

DAY of wrath and doom impending,
David's word with Sibyl's blending!
Heaven and earth in ashes ending!

2 O, what fear man's bosom rendeth,
When from heaven the Judge descendeth,
On whose sentence all dependeth!

3 Wondrous sound the trumpet flingeth,
Through earth's sepulchres it ringeth,
All before the throne it bringeth.

4 Death is struck, and nature quaking,
All creation is awaking,
To its Judge an answer making.

5 Lo! the book exactly worded,
Wherein all hath been recorded;
Thence shall judgement be awarded.

6 When the Judge his seat attaineth,
And each hidden deed arraigneth,
Nothing unavenged remaineth.
7 What shall I, frail man, be pleading?
Who for me be interceding,
When the just are mercy needing?

8 King of majesty tremendous,
Who dost free salvation send us,
Fount of pity, then befriend us!
9 Think, kind Jesu!—my salvation
Caused thy wondrous Incarnation;
Leave me not to reprobation.

10 Faint and weary thou hast sought me,
On the Cross of suffering bought me;
Shall such grace be vainly brought me?
11 Righteous Judge! for sin's pollution
Grant thy gift of absolution,
Ere that day of retribution.

12 Guilty, now I pour my moaning,
All my shame with anguish owning;
Spare, O God, thy suppliant groaning!
13 Through the sinful woman shriven,
Through the dying thief forgiven,
Thou to me a hope hast given.

14 Worthless are my prayers and sighing,
Yet, good Lord, in grace complying,
Rescue me from night undying.
15 With thy sheep a place provide me,
From the goats afar divide me,
To thy right hand do thou guide me.

16 When the wicked are confounded,
Doomed to shame and woe unbounded,
Call me, with thy Saints surrounded.
17 Low I kneel, with heart submission;
See, like ashes my contrition!
Help me in my last condition!

18. Ah! that day of tears and mourning!
From the dust of earth returning,
Man for judgement must prepare him;
Spare, O God, in mercy spare him!
Lord, all-pitying, Jesu blest,
Grant them thine eternal rest.

352 *Prudentius, b. 348. Tr. P. D.*

Deus ignee fons animarum.

FATHER of spirits, whose divine control
Doth bind the soul and body into one,
Thou wilt restore this body now undone;
For once it was the mansion of a soul,
Where dwelt the glowing wisdom of thy Son.

2 Thou, Maker of the body, dost ordain
That this thine image, moulded by thy will,
Our every hope in glory shall fulfil;
So, till the body thou dost build again,
Thou wilt preserve the spirit freed from ill.

3 In that blest region shall this spirit dwell
Where flowers undying bloom on every side:
For, lo, we trust thy word, O Crucified,
When in thy triumph over death and hell,
The thief forgiven took thee for his guide.

4. Our *brother* goeth by the shining way,
That ever to the faithful open lies:
Lord, train thy servant now in Paradise,
And bless *him* in *his* fatherland, we pray,
Till thou shalt bid *his* body to arise.

353 *Part* 1. *For a Child.* *J. W. Meinhold*, 1797–1851. *Tr. C. Winkworth and others.*

Guter Hirt, du hast gestillt.

GENTLE Shepherd, thou hast stilled
Now thy little lamb's long weeping,
In thy loving arms 'tis sleeping—
Ah! how peaceful, pure and mild!

Now no sigh of helpless anguish
  Heaves that little bosom more;
Ne'er again in pain to languish,
  He has reached the happy shore.

2. In this world of pain and care,
  Lord, thou wouldst no longer leave *him*;
  Lovingly thou dost receive *him*
To thy meadows bright and fair.
Ah, Lord Jesu, bring us thither
  Where *he* dwells with thee above;
Where thy Saints rejoice together
  Reunite us to our love.

Part 2. *For an Adult.* *Percy Dearmer*, 1867–1936.

God, we thank thee; not in vain
  Lived our friend on thee believing;
  Not for *him* can we be grieving:
Ours the loss, but *his* the gain.
Ours the vanity of sorrow,
  His the vision from the height;
His to-day, and ours to-morrow,
  Change and awe and love and light.

2. What thou doest, Lord, is good:
  Though *his* body now is sleeping,
  Lives *his* spirit in thy keeping,
Pain and sorrow understood.
Grant *him* rest among the living,
  Bring *him* to thy vision clear,
All *his* sin in love forgiving
  When as Judge thou dost appear.

354

I. Watts, 1674–1748.

HEAR what the voice from heaven proclaims
  For all the pious dead;
Sweet is the savour of their names,
  And soft their sleeping bed.

2 They die in Jesus and are blest;
  How kind their slumbers are;

From sufferings and from sins released,
And freed from every snare.

3. Far from this world of toil and strife,
They're present with the Lord;
The labours of their mortal life
End in a large reward.

355 *For a young child.* *R. F. Littledale*, 1833–90.

IN Paradise reposing,
By life's eternal well,
The tender lambs of Jesus
In greenest pastures dwell.

2 There palms and tiny crownlets
Aglow with brightest gem,
Bedeck the baby martyrs
Who died in Bethlehem.

3 With them the rose-wreathed army
Of children undefiled,
Who passed through mortal torments
For love of Christ the Child;

4 With them in peace unending,
With them in joyous mirth,
Are all the stainless infants
Which since have gone from earth.

5*The Angels, once their guardians,
Their fellows now in grace,
With them, in love adoring,
See God the Father's face.

6*The lullaby to hush them
In that eternal rest,
Is sweet angelic singing,
Their nurse God's Mother blest.

7. O Jesu, loving Shepherd,
Who tenderly dost bear
Thy lambs in thine own bosom,
Bring us to join them there.

356 *At Holy Communion.* *Written in Swahili, and tr.* *E. S. Palmer*, 1857–1931.

Yesu Bin Mariamu.

JESU, Son of Mary,
Fount of life alone,
Here we hail thee present
On thine altar-throne.
Humbly we adore thee,
Lord of endless might,
In the mystic symbols
Veiled from earthly sight.

2 Think, O Lord, in mercy
On the souls of those
Who, in faith gone from us,
Now in death repose.
Here 'mid stress and conflict
Toils can never cease;
There, the warfare ended,
Bid them rest in peace.

3 Often were they wounded
In the deadly strife;
Heal them, Good Physician,
With the balm of life.
Every taint of evil,
Frailty and decay,
Good and gracious Saviour,
Cleanse and purge away.

4. Rest eternal grant them,
After weary fight;
Shed on them the radiance
Of thy heavenly light.
Lead them onward, upward,
To the holy place,
Where thy Saints made perfect
Gaze upon thy face.

357

H. D. Rawnsley, 1850-1920.

LORD Jesu, who at Lazarus' tomb
To weeping friends from death's dark womb
Didst bring new joy to life,
Grant to the friends who stand forlorn
A vision of that larger morn
Where peace has conquered strife.

2 May we behold across the bar
The dear immortals as they are,
Empowered in act and will,
With purer eyes to see their King,
With fuller hearts his praise to sing,
With strength to help us still;

3 Not fettered now by fleshly bond,
But tireless in the great beyond,
And growing day by day.
Can we not make their gladness ours,
And share their thoughts, their added powers,
And follow as we pray?

4. O Holy Ghost, the strength and guide
Of those who to this earth have died,
But live more near to God,
Give us thy grace to follow on,
Till we with them the crown have won
Who duty's paths have trod.

358

G. Moultrie †, 1829-85.

NOW the labourer's toils are o'er,
Fought the battle, won the crown:
On life's rough and barren shore
Thou hast laid thy burden down:
Grant him, *Lord*, *eternal rest*,
With the spirits of the blest.

2 Angels bear thee to the land
Where the towers of Sion rise;
Safely lead thee by the hand
To the fields of Paradise:

3 White-robed, at the golden gate
Of the new Jerusalem,
May the host of Martyrs wait;
Give thee part and lot with them:

4 Friends and dear ones gone before
To the land of endless peace,
Meet thee on that further shore
Where all tears and weeping cease:

5* Rest in peace: the gates of hell
Touch thee not, till he shall come
For the souls he loves so well,—
Dear Lord of the heavenly home:

6*. Earth to earth, and dust to dust,
Clay we give to kindred clay,
In the sure and certain trust
Of the Resurrection day:

359

R. F. Littledale†, 1833-90.

O LORD, to whom the spirits live
Of all the faithful passed away,
Upon their path that brightness give
Which shineth to the perfect day:
O Light eternal, Jesu blest,
Shine on them all, and grant them rest.

2 In thy green, pleasant pastures feed
The sheep which thou hast summoned hence;
And by the still, cool waters lead
Thy flock in loving providence:

3* How long, O holy Lord, how long
Must we and they expectant wait
To hear the gladsome bridal song,
To see thee in thy royal state?

4 O hearken, Saviour, to their cry,
O rend the heavens and come down,
Make up thy jewels speedily,
And set them in thy golden crown:

5. Direct us with thine arm of might,
And bring us perfected with them
To dwell within thy city bright,
The heavenly Jerusalem:

360 *St. John Damascene, c. 750. Tr. A. R.*

Ποία τοῦ βίου τρυφὴ διαμένει λύπης ἀμέτοχος.

WHAT sweet of life endureth
Unmixed with bitter pain?
'Midst earthly change and chances
What glory doth remain?

2 All is a feeble shadow,
A dream that will not stay;
Death cometh in a moment,
And taketh all away.

3 O Christ, a light transcendent
Shines in thy countenance,
And none can tell the sweetness,
The beauty of thy glance.

4. In this may thy poor servant
His joy eternal find;
Thou calledst *him*, O rest *him*,
Thou Lover of mankind!

The following are also suitable:

134 Jesus lives! thy terrors now.
251 O heavenly Jerusalem.
371 Brief life is here our portion.
373 Children of the heavenly King.
401 He wants not friends that hath thy love.
428 Let saints on earth in concert sing.
455 O let him whose sorrow.
498 There is a land of pure delight.
500 They whose course on earth is o'er.
744 Give rest, O Christ, to thy servant.

Part V.

GENERAL HYMNS.

361 *H. Bonar*†, 1808-89.

A FEW more years shall roll,
A few more seasons come,
And we shall be with those that rest
In peace beyond the tomb.
Then, O my Lord, prepare
My soul for that great day;
O wash me in thy precious Blood,
And take my sins away.

2 A few more suns shall set
O'er these dark hills of time,
And we shall be where suns are not,
A far serener clime.
Then, O my Lord, prepare
My soul for that blest day;
O wash me in thy precious Blood,
And take my sins away.

3 A few more storms shall beat
On this wild rocky shore,
And we shall be where tempests cease,
And surges swell no more.
Then, O my Lord, prepare
My soul for that calm day;
O wash me in thy precious Blood,
And take my sins away.

4 A few more struggles here,
A few more partings o'er,
A few more toils, a few more tears,
And we shall weep no more.

Then, O my Lord, prepare
My soul for that blest day;
O wash me in thy precious Blood,
And take my sins away.

5. 'Tis but a little while
And he shall come again,
Who died that we might live, who lives
That we with him may reign.
Then, O my Lord, prepare
My soul for that glad day;
O wash me in thy precious Blood,
And take my sins away.

362

Martin Luther, 1483–1546. *Tr. Thomas Carlyle.*

Ein' feste Burg.

A SAFE stronghold our God is still,
A trusty shield and weapon;
He'll help us clear from all the ill
That hath us now o'ertaken.
The ancient prince of hell
Hath risen with purpose fell;
Strong mail of craft and power
He weareth in this hour;
On earth is not his fellow.

2 With force of arms we nothing can,
Full soon were we down-ridden;
But for us fights the proper Man,
Whom God himself hath bidden.
Ask ye, Who is this same?
Christ Jesus is his name,
The Lord Sabaoth's Son;
He, and no other one,
Shall conquer in the battle.

3* And were this world all devils o'er,
And watching to devour us,
We lay it not to heart so sore;
Not they can overpower us.

And let the prince of ill
Look grim as e'er he will,
He harms us not a whit;
For why?—his doom is writ;
A word shall quickly slay him.

4. God's word, for all their craft and force,
One moment will not linger,
But, spite of hell, shall have its course;
'Tis written by his finger.
And though they take our life,
Goods, honour, children, wife,
Yet is their profit small;
These things shall vanish all,
The city of God remaineth.

363

H. F. Lyte, 1793-1847.

ABIDE with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide!
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see;
O thou who changest not, abide with me.

3 I need thy presence every passing hour;
What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who like thyself my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

4 I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless;
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

5. Hold thou thy Cross before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies:
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me!

364

E. Perronet, 1721-92; *and others.*

ALL hail the power of Jesu's name;
Let Angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem
To crown him Lord of all.

2* Crown him, ye morning stars of light,
Who fixed this floating ball;
Now hail the Strength of Israel's might,
And crown him Lord of all.

3 Crown him, ye Martyrs of your God,
Who from his altar call;
Praise him whose way of pain ye trod,
And crown him Lord of all.

4* Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,
Ye ransomed of the fall,
Hail him who saves you by his grace,
And crown him Lord of all.

5* Hail him, ye heirs of David's line,
Whom David Lord did call;
The God Incarnate, Man Divine,
And crown him Lord of all.

6 Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall,
Go spread your trophies at his feet,
And crown him Lord of all.

7. Let every tribe and every tongue
To him their hearts enthral,
Lift high the universal song,
And crown him Lord of all.

365

Ps. 100. *W. Kethe, Daye's Psalter* (1560–1).

ALL people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with fear, his praise forth tell,
Come ye before him, and rejoice.

2 The Lord, ye know, is God indeed,
Without our aid he did us make;
We are his folk, he doth us feed,
And for his sheep he doth us take.

3 O enter then his gates with praise,
Approach with joy his courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless his name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

4 For why? the Lord our God is good:
His mercy is for ever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.

5. To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom heaven and earth adore,
From men and from the Angel-host
Be praise and glory evermore. Amen.

366

J. M. Neale, 1818–66.

ART thou weary, art thou languid,
Art thou sore distrest?
'Come to me,' saith One, 'and coming
Be at rest!'

2 Hath he marks to lead me to him,
If he be my Guide?
'In his feet and hands are wound-prints,
And his side.'

3 Is there diadem as Monarch
That his brow adorns?
'Yea, a crown, in very surety,
But of thorns.'

4 If I find him, if I follow,
What his guerdon here?
'Many a sorrow, many a labour,
Many a tear.'

5 If I still hold closely to him,
What hath he at last?
'Sorrow vanquished, labour ended,
Jordan past.'

6 If I ask him to receive me,
Will he say me nay?
'Not till earth, and not till heaven
Pass away.'

7. Finding, following, keeping, struggling,
Is he sure to bless?
'Angels, Martyrs, Prophets, Virgins,
Answer, Yes!'

367 *Ps.* 42. *N. Tate and N. Brady, New Version* (1696).

AS pants the hart for cooling streams
When heated in the chase,
So longs my soul, O God, for thee,
And thy refreshing grace.

2 For thee, my God, the living God,
My thirsty soul doth pine:
O when shall I behold thy face,
Thou Majesty Divine!

3 Why restless, why cast down, my soul?
Hope still, and thou shalt sing
The praise of him who is thy God,
Thy health's eternal spring.

4. To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore. Amen.

368 *Caroline M. Noel*, 1817–77.

AT the name of Jesus
Every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess him
King of glory now;
'Tis the Father's pleasure
We should call him Lord,
Who from the beginning
Was the mighty Word.

2* At his voice creation
Sprang at once to sight,
All the Angel faces,
All the hosts of light,
Thrones and dominations,
Stars upon their way,
All the heavenly orders,
In their great array.

3 Humbled for a season,
To receive a name
From the lips of sinners
Unto whom he came,
Faithfully he bore it,
Spotless to the last,
Brought it back victorious
When from death he passed:

4 Bore it up triumphant
With its human light,
Through all ranks of creatures,
To the central height,
To the throne of Godhead,
To the Father's breast;
Filled it with the glory
Of that perfect rest.

5 Name him, brothers, name him,
With love as strong as death,
But with awe and wonder,
And with bated breath;

He is God the Saviour,
He is Christ the Lord,
Ever to be worshipped,
Trusted, and adored.

6* In your hearts enthrone him;
There let him subdue
All that is not holy,
All that is not true:
Crown him as your captain
In temptation's hour;
Let his will enfold you
In its light and power.

7*. Brothers, this Lord Jesus
Shall return again,
With his Father's glory,
With his Angel train;
For all wreaths of empire
Meet upon his brow,
And our hearts confess him
King of glory now.

369

I. Williams, 1802–65.

BE thou my Guardian and my Guide,
And hear me when I call;
Let not my slippery footsteps slide,
And hold me lest I fall.

2 The world, the flesh, and Satan dwell
Around the path I tread;
O, save me from the snares of hell,
Thou Quickener of the dead.

3 And if I tempted am to sin,
And outward things are strong,
Do thou, O Lord, keep watch within,
And save my soul from wrong.

4. Still let me ever watch and pray,
And feel that I am frail;
That if the tempter cross my way,
Yet he may not prevail.

370 *J. Keble*, 1792–1866.

BLEST are the pure in heart,
For they shall see our God,
The secret of the Lord is theirs,
Their soul is Christ's abode.

2 The Lord, who left the heavens
Our life and peace to bring,
To dwell in lowliness with men,
Their Pattern and their King;

3 Still to the lowly soul
He doth himself impart,
And for his dwelling and his throne
Chooseth the pure in heart.

4. Lord, we thy presence seek;
May ours this blessing be;
Give us a pure and lowly heart,
A temple meet for thee.

371 *Part of* Hora novissima (495). *Bernard of Cluny, 12th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Hic breve vivitur.

BRIEF life is here our portion,
Brief sorrow, short-lived care;
The life that knows no ending,
The tearless life, is there.

2 O happy retribution,
Short toil, eternal rest,
For mortals and for sinners
A mansion with the blest!

3 And martyrdom hath roses
Upon that heavenly ground,
And white and virgin lilies
For virgin-souls abound.

4 There grief is turned to pleasure,
Such pleasure as below
No human voice can utter,
No human heart can know.

5 And now we fight the battle,
But then shall wear the crown
Of full and everlasting
And passionless renown.

6 And now we watch and struggle,
And now we live in hope,
And Sion in her anguish
With Babylon must cope.

7 But he whom now we trust in
Shall then be seen and known,
And they that know and see him
Shall have him for their own.

8 The morning shall awaken,
The shadows shall decay,
And each true-hearted servant
Shall shine as doth the day.

9. Then all the halls of Sion
For ay shall be complete,
And, in the Land of Beauty,
All things of beauty meet.

372

Bishop R. Mant, 1776-1848.

BRIGHT the vision that delighted
Once the sight of Judah's seer;
Sweet the countless tongues united
To entrance the prophet's ear.

2 Round the Lord in glory seated
Cherubim and Seraphim
Filled his temple, and repeated
Each to each the alternate hymn:

3 'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven;
Earth is with its fullness stored;
Unto thee be glory given,
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord.'

4 Heaven is still with glory ringing,
Earth takes up the Angels' cry,
'Holy, Holy, Holy,' singing,
'Lord of hosts, the Lord most high.'

5 With his seraph train before him,
With his holy Church below,
Thus conspire we to adore him,
Bid we thus our anthem flow :

6. 'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven ;
Earth is with its fullness stored ;
Unto thee be glory given,
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord.'

373

J. Cennick, 1718–55.

CHILDREN of the heavenly King,
As ye journey sweetly sing ;
Sing your Saviour's worthy praise,
Glorious in his works and ways.

2 We are travelling home to God
In the way the fathers trod ;
They are happy now, and we
Soon their happiness shall see.

3 Fear not, brethren, joyful stand
On the borders of your land ;
Jesus Christ your Father's Son,
Bids you undismayed go on.

4. Lord, obediently we go,
Gladly leaving all below ;
Only thou our Leader be,
And we still will follow thee.

374

Charlotte Elliott, 1789–1871.

'CHRISTIAN, seek not yet repose,'
Hear thy guardian Angel say ;
'Thou art in the midst of foes :
Watch and pray !'

2 Principalities and powers,
Mustering their unseen array,
Wait for thy unguarded hours:
Watch and pray!

3 Gird thy heavenly armour on,
Wear it ever, night and day;
Ambushed lies the evil one:
Watch and pray!

4 Hear the victors who o'ercame;
Still they mark each warrior's way;
All with one sweet voice exclaim:
'Watch and pray!'

5 Hear, above all, hear thy Lord,
Him thou lovest to obey;
Hide within thy heart his word:
'Watch and pray!'

6. Watch, as if on that alone
Hung the issue of the day;
Pray, that help may be sent down:
Watch and pray!

375

S. Johnson, 1822–82.

CITY of God, how broad and far
Outspread thy walls sublime!
The true thy chartered freemen are
Of every age and clime.

2 One holy Church, one army strong,
One steadfast, high intent;
One working band, one harvest-song,
One King omnipotent.

3 How purely hath thy speech come down
From man's primaeval youth!
How grandly hath thine empire grown
Of freedom, love and truth!

4 How gleam thy watch-fires through the night
With never-fainting ray!
How rise thy towers, serene and bright,
To meet the dawning day!

5. In vain the surge's angry shock,
In vain the drifting sands:
Unharmed upon the eternal Rock
The eternal City stands.

376

I. Watts, 1674–1748.

COME, let us join our cheerful songs
With Angels round the throne;
Ten thousand thousand are their tongues,
But all their joys are one.

2 'Worthy the Lamb that died,' they cry,
'To be exalted thus;'
'Worthy the Lamb,' our lips reply,
'For he was slain for us.'

3 Jesus is worthy to receive
Honour and power divine;
And blessings more than we can give
Be, Lord, for ever thine.

4. The whole creation join in one
To bless the sacred name
Of him that sits upon the throne,
And to adore the Lamb.

377

J. Newton, 1725–1807.

COME, my soul, thy suit prepare,
Jesus loves to answer prayer;
He himself has bid thee pray,
Therefore will not say thee nay.

2 Thou art coming to a King,
Large petitions with thee bring;
For his grace and power are such
None can ever ask too much.

3 With my burden I begin;
Lord, remove this load of sin;
Let thy Blood, for sinners spilt,
Set my conscience free from guilt.

4 Show me what I have to do,
Ev'ry hour my strength renew;
Let me live a life of faith,
Let me die thy people's death.

5. While I am a pilgrim here,
Let thy love my spirit cheer;
Be my Guide, my Guard, my Friend;
Lead me to my journey's end.

378

C. Wesley †, 1707-88.

COME, O thou Traveller unknown,
Whom still I hold, but cannot see,
My company before is gone,
And I am left alone with thee;
With thee all night I mean to stay,
And wrestle till the break of day.

2 I need not tell thee who I am,
My misery or sin declare;
Thyself hast called me by my name;
Look on thy hands, and read it there!
But who, I ask thee, who art thou?
Tell me thy name, and tell me now.

3 Yield to me now, for I am weak,
But confident in self-despair;
Speak to my heart, in blessings speak,
Be conquered by my instant prayer!
Speak, or thou never hence shalt move,
And tell me if thy name is Love.

4. 'Tis Love! 'tis Love! Thou diedst for me!
I hear thy whisper in my heart!
The morning breaks, the shadows flee;
Pure universal Love thou art;
To me, to all, thy mercies move;
Thy nature and thy name is Love.

379 *W. Chatterton Dix*, 1837-98.

'COME unto me, ye weary,
And I will give you rest.'
O blessèd voice of Jesus,
Which comes to hearts opprest;
It tells of benediction,
Of pardon, grace, and peace,
Of joy that hath no ending,
Of love which cannot cease.

2 'Come unto me, ye wanderers,
And I will give you light.'
O loving voice of Jesus,
Which comes to cheer the night;
Our hearts were filled with sadness,
And we had lost our way;
But morning brings us gladness,
And songs the break of day.

3 'Come unto me, ye fainting,
And I will give you life.'
O cheering voice of Jesus,
Which comes to aid our strife;
The foe is stern and eager,
The fight is fierce and long;
But thou hast made us mighty,
And stronger than the strong.

4. 'And whosoever cometh,
I will not cast him out.'
O patient love of Jesus,
Which drives away our doubt;
Which calls us very sinners,
Unworthy though we be
Of love so free and boundless,
To come, dear Lord, to thee.

380 *J. Hupton*, 1762–1849, *and J. M. Neale.*

COME, ye faithful, raise the anthem,
Cleave the skies with shouts of praise;
Sing to him who found the ransom,
Ancient of eternal days,
God eternal, Word incarnate,
Whom the heaven of heaven obeys.

2 Ere he raised the lofty mountains,
Formed the sea, or built the sky,
Love eternal, free, and boundless,
Forced the Lord of life to die,
Lifted up the Prince of princes
On the throne of Calvary.

3 Now on those eternal mountains
Stands the sapphire throne, all bright,
With the ceaseless alleluyas
Which they raise, the sons of light;
Sion's people tell his praises,
Victor after hard-won fight.

4 Bring your harps, and bring your incense,
Sweep the string and pour the lay;
Let the earth proclaim his wonders,
King of that celestial day;
He the Lamb once slain is worthy,
Who was dead, and lives for ay.

5. Laud and honour to the Father,
Laud and honour to the Son;
Laud and honour to the Spirit,
Ever Three and ever One,
Consubstantial, co-eternal,
While unending ages run. Amen.

381 *M. Bridges*, 1800–94.

CROWN him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own:

Awake, my soul, and sing
Of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.

2 Crown him the Virgin's Son,
The God incarnate born,
Whose arm those crimson trophies won
Which now his brow adorn:
Fruit of the mystic Rose,
As of that Rose the Stem;
The Root whence mercy ever flows,
The Babe of Bethlehem.

3 Crown him the Lord of love!
Behold his hands and side,
Rich wounds yet visible above
In beauty glorified:
No Angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning eye
At mysteries so bright.

4 Crown him the Lord of peace,
Whose power a sceptre sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease,
Absorbed in prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end,
And round his pierced feet
Fair flowers of Paradise extend
Their fragrance ever sweet.

5. Crown him the Lord of years,
The Potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres,
Ineffably sublime.
Glassed in a sea of light,
Where everlasting waves
Reflect his throne—the Infinite!
Who lives—and loves—and saves.

382 *E. Caswall*, 1814–78; *and others.*

DAYS and moments quickly flying
Blend the living with the dead;
Soon our bodies will be lying
Each within its narrow bed.

2 Soon our souls to God who gave them
Will have sped their rapid flight:
Able now by grace to save them,
O that, while we can, we might!

3 Jesu, infinite Redeemer,
Maker of this mighty frame,
Teach, O teach us to remember
What we are, and whence we came.

4 Whence we came and whither wending,
So that by thy mercy we
May at last, in life unending,
Find our perfect rest with thee.

5 Jesu, merciful Redeemer,
Rouse dead souls to hear thy voice;
Wake, O wake each idle dreamer
Now to make the eternal choice.

6. Soon before the Judge all glorious
We with all the dead shall stand:
Saviour, over death victorious,
Place us then on thy right hand.

383 *J. G. Whittier*, 1807–92.

DEAR Lord and Father of mankind,
Forgive our foolish ways!
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind,
In purer lives thy service find,
In deeper reverence praise.

2 In simple trust like theirs who heard,
Beside the Syrian sea,
The gracious calling of the Lord,
Let us, like them, without a word
Rise up and follow thee.

3 * O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above,
Where Jesus knelt to share with thee
The silence of eternity,
Interpreted by love!

4 Drop thy still dews of quietness,
Till all our strivings cease;
Take from our souls the strain and stress,
And let our ordered lives confess
The beauty of thy peace.

5. Breathe through the heats of our desire
Thy coolness and thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still small voice of calm!

384

J. W. Chadwick, 1840–1904.

ETERNAL Ruler of the ceaseless round
Of circling planets singing on their way;
Guide of the nations from the night profound
Into the glory of the perfect day;
Rule in our hearts, that we may ever be
Guided and strengthened and upheld by thee.

2 We are of thee, the children of thy love,
The brothers of thy well-belovèd Son;
Descend, O Holy Spirit, like a dove,
Into our hearts, that we may be as one:
As one with thee, to whom we ever tend;
As one with him, our Brother and our Friend.

3 We would be one in hatred of all wrong,
One in our love of all things sweet and fair,
One with the joy that breaketh into song,
One with the grief that trembleth into prayer,
One in the power that makes the children free
To follow truth, and thus to follow thee.

4. O clothe us with thy heavenly armour, Lord,
Thy trusty shield, thy sword of love divine;
Our inspiration be thy constant word;
We ask no victories that are not thine:
Give or withhold, let pain or pleasure be;
Enough to know that we are serving thee.

385

Mrs. L. M. Willis (1864).

FATHER, hear the prayer we offer;
Not for ease that prayer shall be,
But for strength that we may ever
Live our lives courageously.

2 Not for ever in green pastures
Do we ask our way to be;
But the steep and rugged pathway
May we tread rejoicingly.

3 Not for ever by still waters
Would we idly rest and stay;
But would smite the living fountains
From the rocks along our way.

4. Be our Strength in hours of weakness,
In our wanderings be our Guide;
Through endeavour, failure, danger,
Father, be thou at our side.

386

J. Julian, 1839–1913.

FATHER of all, to thee
With loving hearts we pray,
Through him, in mercy given,
The Life, the Truth, the Way:
From heaven, thy throne, in mercy shed
Thy blessings on each bended head.

2 * Father of all, to thee
Our contrite hearts we raise,
Unstrung by sin and pain,
Long voiceless in thy praise:
Breathe thou the silent chords along,
Until they tremble into song.

3 Father of all, to thee
We breathe unuttered fears,
Deep-hidden in our souls,
That have no voice but tears:
Take thou our hand, and through the wild
Lead gently on each trustful child.

4. Father of all, may we
In praise our tongues employ,
When gladness fills the soul
With deep and hallowed joy:
In storm and calm give us to see
The path of peace which leads to thee.

387

E. Cooper †, 1770–1833.

FATHER of heaven, whose love profound
A ransom for our souls hath found,
Before thy throne we sinners bend:
To us thy pardoning love extend.

2 Almighty Son, incarnate Word,
Our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord,
Before thy throne we sinners bend:
To us thy saving grace extend.

3 Eternal Spirit, by whose breath
The soul is raised from sin and death,
Before thy throne we sinners bend:
To us thy quickening power extend.

4. Thrice Holy! Father, Spirit, Son,
Mysterious Godhead, Three in One,
Before thy throne we sinners bend:
Grace, pardon, life to us extend. Amen.

388

Anatolius, c. 8th cent. *Tr. J. M. Neale*

Ζοφερᾶς τρικυμίας.

FIERCE was the wild billow,
Dark was the night;
Oars laboured heavily,
Foam glimmered white:

Trembled the mariners,
Peril was nigh:
Then said the God of God,
'Peace! It is I.'

2 Ridge of the mountain-wave,
Lower thy crest!
Wail of Euroclydon
Be thou at rest!
Sorrow can never be,
Darkness must fly,
Where saith the Light of light,
'Peace! It is I.'

3. Jesu, Deliverer,
Near to us be;
Soothe thou my voyaging
Over life's sea:
Thou, when the storm of death
Roars, sweeping by,
Whisper, O Truth of truth,
'Peace! It is I.'

389

J. S. B. Monsell, 1811–75.

FIGHT the good fight with all thy might,
Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right;
Lay hold on life, and it shall be
Thy joy and crown eternally.

2 Run the straight race through God's good grace,
Lift up thine eyes, and seek his face;
Life with its way before us lies,
Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.

3 Cast care aside, upon thy Guide
Lean, and his mercy will provide;
Lean, and the trusting soul shall prove
Christ is its life, and Christ its love.

4. Faint not nor fear, his arms are near,
He changeth not, and thou art dear;
Only believe, and thou shalt see
That Christ is all in all to thee.

390

J. H. Newman, 1801–90.

FIRMLY I believe and truly
God is Three, and God is One;
And I next acknowledge duly
Manhood taken by the Son.

2 And I trust and hope most fully
In that Manhood crucified;
And each thought and deed unruly
Do to death, as he has died.

3 Simply to his grace and wholly
Light and life and strength belong,
And I love supremely, solely,
Him the Holy, him the Strong.

4* And I hold in veneration,
For the love of him alone,
Holy Church as his creation,
And her teachings as his own.

5. Adoration ay be given,
With and through the angelic host,
To the God of earth and heaven,
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

391

J. Montgomery, 1771–1854.

'FOR ever with the Lord!'
Amen; so let it be;
Life from the dead is in that word,
'Tis immortality.
Here in the body pent,
Absent from him I roam,
Yet nightly pitch my moving tent
A day's march nearer home.

2 My Father's house on high,
Home of my soul, how near
At times to faith's foreseeing eye
Thy golden gates appear!
Ah! then my spirit faints
To reach the land I love,
The bright inheritance of Saints,
Jerusalem above.

3 'For ever with the Lord!'—
Father, if 'tis thy will,
The promise of that faithful word
E'en here to me fulfil.
Be thou at my right hand,
Then can I never fail;
Uphold thou me, and I shall stand;
Fight, and I must prevail.

4. So when my latest breath
Shall rend the veil in twain,
By death I shall escape from death,
And life eternal gain.
Knowing as I am known,
How shall I love that word,
And oft repeat before the throne,
'For ever with the Lord!'

392 *Part of* Hora novissima (495). *Bernard of Cluny, 12th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.*

O bona patria!

FOR thee, O dear, dear country,
Mine eyes their vigils keep;
For very love, beholding
Thy happy name, they weep.

2 The mention of thy glory
Is unction to the breast,
And medicine in sickness,
And love and life and rest.

3 With jaspers glow thy bulwarks,
Thy streets with emeralds blaze;
The sardius and the topaz
Unite in thee their rays;

4 Thine ageless walls are bonded
With amethyst unpriced;
Thy saints build up its fabric,
The corner-stone is Christ.

5 O one, O only mansion!
O Paradise of joy!
Where tears are ever banished,
And smiles have no alloy;

6 The Cross is all thy splendour,
The Crucified thy praise;
His laud and benediction
Thy ransomed people raise.

7 Thou hast no shore, fair ocean!
Thou hast no time, bright day!
Dear fountain of refreshment
To pilgrims far away!

8 Upon the Rock of Ages
They raise thy holy tower;
Thine is the victor's laurel,
And thine the golden dower.

9 O mine, my golden Sion!
O lovelier far than gold!
With laurel-girt battalions,
And safe victorious fold.

10. O fields that see no sorrow!
O state that fears no strife!
O princely bowers! O land of flowers!
O realm and home of life!

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J. Newton, 1725–1807.

GLORIOUS things of thee are spoken,
Sion, city of our God!
He whose word cannot be broken
Formed thee for his own abode:
On the Rock of Ages founded,
What can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

2 See, the streams of living waters,
Springing from eternal love,
Well supply thy sons and daughters,
And all fear of want remove:
Who can faint while such a river
Ever flows their thirst to assuage?
Grace, which like the Lord the Giver,
Never fails from age to age.

3. Saviour, if of Sion's city
I, through grace, a member am,
Let the world deride or pity,
I will glory in thy name:
Fading is the worldling's pleasure,
All his boasted pomp and show;
Solid joys and lasting treasure
None but Sion's children know.

394

W. Cowper, 1731–1800.

GOD moves in a mysterious way
His wonders to perform;
He plants his footsteps in the sea,
And rides upon the storm.

2 Deep in unfathomable mines
Of never-failing skill
He treasures up his bright designs,
And works his sovereign will.

3 Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take,
The clouds ye so much dread
Are big with mercy, and shall break
In blessings on your head.

4 Judge not the Lord by feeble sense,
But trust him for his grace;
Behind a frowning providence
He hides a smiling face.

5 His purposes will ripen fast,
Unfolding every hour;
The bud may have a bitter taste,
But sweet will be the flower.

6. Blind unbelief is sure to err,
And scan his work in vain;
God is his own interpreter,
And he will make it plain.

395

H. F. Lyte, 1793-1847.

GOD of mercy, God of grace,
Show the brightness of thy face:
Shine upon us, Saviour, shine,
Fill thy Church with light divine;
And thy saving health extend
Unto earth's remotest end.

2 Let the people praise thee, Lord
Be by all that live adored:
Let the nations shout and sing,
Glory to their Saviour King;

At thy feet their tributes pay,
And thy holy will obey.

3. Let the people praise thee, Lord;
Earth shall then her fruits afford;
God to man his blessing give,
Man to God devoted live;
All below, and all above,
One in joy, and light, and love.

396

Bp. Chr. Wordsworth, 1807–85.

GRACIOUS Spirit, Holy Ghost,
Taught by thee, we covet most
Of thy gifts at Pentecost,
Holy, heavenly love.

2 Love is kind, and suffers long,
Love is meek, and thinks no wrong,
Love than death itself more strong;
Therefore give us love.

3 Prophecy will fade away,
Melting in the light of day;
Love will ever with us stay;
Therefore give us love.

4 Faith will vanish into sight;
Hope be emptied in delight;
Love in heaven will shine more bright;
Therefore give us love.

5 Faith and hope and love we see
Joining hand in hand agree;
But the greatest of the three,
And the best, is love.

6. From the overshadowing
Of thy gold and silver wing
Shed on us, who to thee sing,
Holy, heavenly love.

397 *W. Williams*, 1717–91. *Tr. P. and W. Williams* †.

Arglwydd arwain trwy'r anialwch.

GUIDE me, O thou great Redeemer,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty,
Hold me with thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven,
Feed me till I want no more.

2 Open now the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through:
Strong Deliverer,
Be thou still my strength and shield.

3. When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell's Destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan's side:
Songs of praises
I will ever give to thee.

398 *C. Coffin*, 1676–1749. *Tr. Y. H.*

O quam juvat fratres.

HAPPY are they, they that love God,
Whose hearts have Christ confest,
Who by his Cross have found their life,
And 'neath his yoke their rest.

2 Glad is the praise, sweet are the songs,
When they together sing;
And strong the prayers that bow the ear
Of heaven's eternal King.

3 Christ to their homes giveth his peace,
And makes their loves his own:
But ah, what tares the evil one
Hath in his garden sown.

4 Sad were our lot, evil this earth,
Did not its sorrows prove
The path whereby the sheep may find
The fold of Jesu's love.

5. Then shall they know, they that love him,
How all their pain is good;
And death itself cannot unbind
Their happy brotherhood.

399

F. W. Faber, 1814–63.

HARK! hark, my soul! Angelic songs are swelling
O'er earth's green fields, and ocean's wave-beat shore;
How sweet the truth those blessèd strains are telling
Of that new life when sin shall be no more!
Angels of Jesus, Angels of light,
Singing to welcome the pilgrims of the night!

2 Onward we go, for still we hear them singing,
Come, weary souls, for Jesus bids you come;
And through the dark, its echoes sweetly ringing,
The music of the Gospel leads us home.

3 Far, far away, like bells at evening pealing,
The voice of Jesus sounds o'er land and sea,
And laden souls, by thousands meekly stealing,
Kind Shepherd, turn their weary steps to thee.

4 Rest comes at length; though life be long and dreary,
The day must dawn, and darksome night be past;
All journeys end in welcomes to the weary,
And heaven, the heart's true home, will come at last.

5. Angels! sing on, your faithful watches keeping,
Sing us sweet fragments of the songs above;
While we toil on, and soothe ourselves with weeping,
Till life's long night shall break in endless love.

400

W. Cowper, 1731–1800.

HARK, my soul! it is the Lord;
'Tis thy Saviour, hear his word;
Jesus speaks, and speaks to thee:
'Say, poor sinner, lov'st thou me?

2 'I delivered thee when bound,
And, when wounded, healed thy wound;
Sought thee wandering, set thee right,
Turned thy darkness into light.

3 'Can a woman's tender care
Cease towards the child she bare?
Yes, she may forgetful be,
Yet will I remember thee.

4 'Mine is an unchanging love,
Higher than the heights above,
Deeper than the depths beneath,
Free and faithful, strong as death.

5 'Thou shalt see my glory soon,
When the work of grace is done;
Partner of my throne shalt be;
Say, poor sinner, lov'st thou me?'

6. Lord, it is my chief complaint
That my love is weak and faint;
Yet I love thee, and adore;
O for grace to love thee more!

401

R. Baxter, 1615–91.

HE wants not friends that hath thy love,
And may converse and walk with thee,
And with thy Saints here and above,
With whom for ever I must be.

2 In the communion of Saints
Is wisdom, safety and delight;
And when my heart declines and faints,
It's raisèd by their heat and light!

3 As for my friends, they are not lost;
The several vessels of thy fleet,
Though parted now, by tempests tost,
Shall safely in the haven meet.

4 Still we are centred all in thee,
Members, though distant, of one Head;
In the same family we be,
By the same faith and spirit led.

5 Before thy throne we daily meet
As joint-petitioners to thee;
In spirit we each other greet,
And shall again each other see.

6. The heavenly hosts, world without end,
Shall be my company above;
And thou, my best and surest Friend,
Who shall divide me from thy love?

402

J. Bunyan, 1628-88, *and others.*

HE who would valiant be
'Gainst all disaster,
Let him in constancy
Follow the Master.
There's no discouragement
Shall make him once relent
His first avowed intent
To be a pilgrim.

2 Who so beset him round
With dismal stories,
Do but themselves confound—
His strength the more is.
No foes shall stay his might,
Though he with giants fight:
He will make good his right
To be a pilgrim.

3. Since, Lord, thou dost defend
Us with thy Spirit,
We know we at the end
Shall life inherit.
Then fancies flee away!
I'll fear not what men say,
I'll labour night and day
To be a pilgrim.

403

W. Canton, 1845-1926.

HOLD thou my hands!
In grief and joy, in hope and fear,
Lord, let me feel that thou art near:
Hold thou my hands!

2 If e'er by doubts
Of thy good Fatherhood depressed,
I cannot find in thee my rest:
Hold thou my hands!

3 Hold thou my hands!
These passionate hands too quick to smite,
These hands so eager for delight:
Hold thou my hands!

4. And when at length,
With darkened eyes and fingers cold,
I seek some last loved hand to hold,
Hold thou my hands!

404

John Mason, c. 1645-94.

HOW shall I sing that Majesty
Which Angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie;
Sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.
Thousands of thousands stand around
Thy throne, O God most high;
Ten thousand times ten thousand sound
Thy praise; but who am I?

2 Thy brightness unto them appears,
Whilst I thy footsteps trace;
A sound of God comes to my ears,
But they behold thy face.
They sing because thou art their Sun;
Lord, send a beam on me;
For where heaven is but once begun
There Alleluyas be.

3 Enlighten with faith's light my heart,
Inflame it with love's fire;
Then shall I sing and bear a part
With that celestial choir.
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold,
With all my fire and light;
Yet when thou dost accept their gold,
Lord, treasure up my mite.

4. How great a being, Lord, is thine,
Which doth all beings keep!
Thy knowledge is the only line
To sound so vast a deep.
Thou art a sea without a shore,
A sun without a sphere;
Thy time is now and evermore,
Thy place is everywhere.

405

J. Newton, 1725–1807.

HOW sweet the name of Jesus sounds
In a believer's ear!
It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds,
And drives away his fear.

2 It makes the wounded spirit whole,
And calms the troubled breast;
'Tis manna to the hungry soul,
And to the weary rest.

3 Dear name! the rock on which I build,
My shield and hiding-place,
My never-failing treasury filled
With boundless stores of grace.

4 Jesus! my Shepherd, Husband, Friend,
My Prophet, Priest, and King,
My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End,
Accept the praise I bring.

5 Weak is the effort of my heart,
And cold my warmest thought;
But when I see thee as thou art,
I'll praise thee as I ought.

6. Till then I would thy love proclaim
With every fleeting breath;
And may the music of thy name
Refresh my soul in death.

406

S. Longfellow, 1819–82.

I LOOK to thee in every need,
And never look in vain;
I feel thy strong and tender love,
And all is well again:
The thought of thee is mightier far
Than sin and pain and sorrow are.

2 Discouraged in the work of life,
Disheartened by its load,
Shamed by its failures or its fears,
I sink beside the road;
But let me only think of thee,
And then new heart springs up in me.

3 Thy calmness bends serene above,
My restlessness to still;
Around me flows thy quickening life,
To nerve my faltering will:
Thy presence fills my solitude;
Thy providence turns all to good.

4. Embosomed deep in thy dear love,
Held in thy law, I stand;
Thy hand in all things I behold,
And all things in thy hand;
Thou leadest me by unsought ways,
And turn'st my mourning into praise.

407

W. Chalmers Smith, 1824–1908.

IMMORTAL, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

2 Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

3 To all life thou givest—to both great and small;
In all life thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish—but nought changeth thee.

4. Great Father of Glory, pure Father of Light,
Thine Angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render: O help us to see
'Tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

408

J. G. Whittier, 1807–92.

IMMORTAL love for ever full,
For ever flowing free,
For ever shared, for ever whole,
A never-ebbing sea!

2 Our outward lips confess the name,
All other names above;
Love only knoweth whence it came
And comprehendeth love.

3 We may not climb the heavenly steeps
To bring the Lord Christ down;
In vain we search the lowest deeps,
For him no depths can drown;

4 But warm, sweet, tender, even yet
A present help is he;
And faith has still its Olivet,
And love its Galilee.

5 The healing of his seamless dress
Is by our beds of pain;
We touch him in life's throng and press,
And we are whole again.

6 Through him the first fond prayers are said
Our lips of childhood frame;
The last low whispers of our dead
Are burdened with his name.

7. Alone, O Love ineffable,
Thy saving name is given;
To turn aside from thee is hell,
To walk with thee is heaven.

409

Sir J. Bowring, 1792–1872.

IN the Cross of Christ I glory,
Towering o'er the wrecks of time;
All the light of sacred story
Gathers round its head sublime.

2 When the woes of life o'ertake me,
Hopes deceive and fears annoy,
Never shall the Cross forsake me:
Lo! it glows with peace and joy.

3 When the sun of bliss is beaming
Light and love upon my way,
From the Cross the radiance streaming,
Adds more lustre to the day.

4. Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure,
By the Cross are sanctified;
Peace is there that knows no measure,
Joys that through all time abide.

410 *R. Herrick*, 1591–1674.

IN the hour of my distress,
When temptations me oppress,
And when I my sins confess,
Sweet Spirit, comfort me.

2 When I lie within my bed,
Sick in heart, and sick in head,
And with doubts discomforted,
Sweet Spirit, comfort me.

3 When the house doth sigh and weep,
And the world is drowned in sleep,
Yet mine eyes the watch do keep,
Sweet Spirit, comfort me.

4 When, God knows, I'm tost about,
Either with despair or doubt,
Yet, before the glass be out,
Sweet Spirit, comfort me.

5. When the Judgement is revealed,
And that opened which was sealed,
When to thee I have appealed,
Sweet Spirit, comfort me.

411 *S. Crossman* †, 1624–83.

JERUSALEM on high
My song and city is,
My home whene'er I die,
The centre of my bliss:
O happy place! when shall I be,
My God, with thee, to see thy face.

2 There dwells my Lord, my King,
Judged here unfit to live;
There Angels to him sing,
And lowly homage give:

3 The Patriarchs of old
There from their travels cease;
The Prophets there behold
Their longed-for Prince of peace:

4 The Lamb's Apostles there
I might with joy behold,
The harpers I might hear
Harping on harps of gold:

5 The bleeding Martyrs, they
Within those courts are found,
Clothèd in pure array,
Their scars with glory crowned:

6.*Ah me! ah me! that I
In Kedar's tents here stay;
No place like that on high;
Lord, thither guide my way:

412 *Part of* Hora novissima (495). *Bernard of Cluny, 12th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Urbs Sion aurea.

JERUSALEM the golden,
With milk and honey blest,
Beneath thy contemplation
Sink heart and voice oppprest.
I know not, O I know not,
What social joys are there,
What radiancy of glory,
What light beyond compare.

2 They stand, those halls of Sion,
Conjubilant with song,
And bright with many an Angel,
And all the Martyr throng;
The Prince is ever in them,
The daylight is serene,
The pastures of the blessèd
Are decked in glorious sheen.

3 There is the throne of David,
And there, from care released,
The song of them that triumph,
The shout of them that feast;
And they who, with their Leader,
Have conquered in the fight,
For ever and for ever
Are clad in robes of white.

4. O sweet and blessèd country,
Shall I ever see thy face?
O sweet and blessèd country,
Shall I ever win thy grace?
Exult, O dust and ashes!
The Lord shall be thy part:
His only, his for ever,
Thou shalt be, and thou art!

413

17th cent. Tr. Sir H. W. Baker.

Dignare me, O Jesu, rogo te.

JESU, grant me this, I pray,
Ever in thy heart to stay;
Let me evermore abide
Hidden in thy wounded side.

2 If the evil one prepare,
Or the world, a tempting snare,
I am safe when I abide
In thy heart and wounded side.

3 If the flesh, more dangerous still,
Tempt my soul to deeds of ill,
Naught I fear when I abide
In thy heart and wounded side.

4. Death will come one day to me;
Jesu, cast me not from thee:
Dying let me still abide
In thy heart and wounded side.

414 *C. Wesley*, 1707–88.

JESU, Lover of my soul,
Let me to thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll,
While the tempest still is high:
Hide me, O my Saviour, hide,
Till the storm of life is past;
Safe into the haven guide,
O receive my soul at last.

2 Other refuge have I none;
Hangs my helpless soul on thee;
Leave, ah! leave me not alone,
Still support and comfort me.
All my trust on thee is stayed,
All my help from thee I bring;
Cover my defenceless head
With the shadow of thy wing.

3* Thou, O Christ, art all I want;
More than all in thee I find:
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
Heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is thy name;
I am all unrighteousness;
False and full of sin I am,
Thou art full of truth and grace.

4. Plenteous grace with thee is found,
Grace to cover all my sin;
Let the healing streams abound;
Make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art;
Freely let me take of thee;
Spring thou up within my heart,
Rise to all eternity.

415

G. R. Prynne, 1818–1903.

JESU, meek and gentle,
Son of God most high,
Pitying, loving Saviour,
Hear thy children's cry.

2 Pardon our offences,
Loose our captive chains,
Break down every idol
Which our soul detains.

3 Give us holy freedom,
Fill our hearts with love,
Draw us, holy Jesu,
To the realms above.

4 Lead us on our journey,
Be thyself the Way
Through terrestrial darkness
To celestial day.

5. Jesu, meek and gentle,
Son of God most high,
Pitying, loving Saviour,
Hear thy children's cry.

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H. Collins, 1827–1919.

JESU, meek and lowly,
Saviour, pure and holy,
On thy love relying
Hear me humbly crying.

2 Prince of life and power,
My salvation's tower,
On the Cross I view thee
Calling sinners to thee.

3 There behold me gazing
At the sight amazing;
Bending low before thee,
Helpless I adore thee.

4* By thy red wounds streaming,
With thy Life-blood gleaming,

Blood for sinners flowing,
Pardon free bestowing;
5 By that fount of blessing,
Thy dear love expressing,
All my aching sadness
Turn thou into gladness.
6. Lord, in mercy guide me,
Be thou e'er beside me;
In thy ways direct me,
'Neath thy wings protect me.

417 *H. Collins*, 1827–1919.

JESU, my Lord, my God, my All,
Hear me, blest Saviour, when I call;
Hear me, and from thy dwelling-place
Pour down the riches of thy grace:
Jesu, my Lord, I thee adore,
O make me love thee more and more.
2 Jesu, too late I thee have sought,
How can I love thee as I ought?
And how extol thy matchless fame,
The glorious beauty of thy name?
3 Jesu, what didst thou find in me,
That thou hast dealt so lovingly?
How great the joy that thou hast brought,
So far exceeding hope or thought!
4. Jesu, of thee shall be my song,
To thee my heart and soul belong;
All that I am or have is thine,
And thou, sweet Saviour, thou art mine.

418 *Theoctistus*, c. 890. *Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Ἰησοῦ γλυκύτατε.

JESU, name all names above;
Jesu, best and dearest;
Jesu, Fount of perfect love,
Holiest, tenderest, nearest;

Jesu, Source of grace completest;
Jesu purest, Jesu sweetest;
Jesu, Well of power Divine,
Make me, keep me, seal me thine!

2 Woe that I have turned aside
After fleshly pleasure!
Woe that I have never tried
For the heavenly treasure!
Treasure, safe in homes supernal,
Incorruptible, eternal;
Treasure no less price hath won
Than the Passion of the Son!

3 Jesu, crowned with thorns for me,
Scourged for my transgression!
Witnessing, through agony,
That thy good confession!
Jesu, clad in purple raiment,
For my evils making payment:
Let not all thy woe and pain,
Let not Calvary be in vain!

4. Jesu, open me the gate
That of old he entered
Who, in that most lost estate,
Wholly on thee ventured;
Thou, whose wounds are ever pleading,
And thy Passion interceding,
From my misery let me rise
To a home in Paradise!

419 *11th cent. Tr. E. Caswall.*

Jesu, dulcis memoria.

JESU, the very thought of thee
With sweetness fills my breast;
But sweeter far thy face to see,
And in thy presence rest.

2 Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame,
Nor can the memory find,
A sweeter sound than thy blest name,
O Saviour of mankind!

3 O hope of every contrite heart,
O joy of all the meek,
To those who fall, how kind thou art!
How good to those who seek!

4 But what to those who find? Ah! this
Nor tongue nor pen can show;
The love of Jesus! what it is
None but his loved ones know.

5 Jesu, our only joy be thou,
As thou our prize wilt be;
Jesu, be thou our glory now,
And through eternity.

Part 2.

Jesu, Rex admirabilis.

6 O Jesu, King most wonderful,
Thou Conqueror renowned,
Thou sweetness most ineffable,
In whom all joys are found!

7 When once thou visitest the heart,
Then truth begins to shine;
Then earthly vanities depart;
Then kindles love divine.

8 O Jesu! Light of all below!
Thou Fount of life and fire,
Surpassing all the joys we know,
And all we can desire:

9 May every heart confess thy name,
And ever thee adore;
And, seeking thee, itself inflame
To seek thee more and more.

10 Thee may our tongues for ever bless,
Thee may we love alone;
And ever in our lives express
The image of thine own.

Part 3.

Jesu, decus angelicum.

11 O Jesu, thou the beauty art
Of Angel worlds above;
Thy name is music to the heart,
Enchanting it with love.

12 Celestial sweetness unalloyed!
Who eat thee hunger still;
Who drink of thee still feel a void,
Which nought but thou can fill.

13 O my sweet Jesu! hear the sighs
Which unto thee I send;
To thee mine inmost spirit cries,
My being's hope and end!

14 Stay with us, Lord, and with thy light
Illume the soul's abyss;
Scatter the darkness of our night,
And fill the world with bliss.

15. O Jesu! spotless virgin-flower!
Our life and joy! to thee
Be praise, beatitude, and power
Through all eternity.

420

I. Watts, 1674–1748.

JESUS shall reign where'er the sun
Does his successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

2 People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on his love with sweetest song,
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on his name.

3 Blessings abound where'er he reigns;
The prisoner leaps to lose his chains;
The weary find eternal rest,
And all the sons of want are blest.

4. Let every creature rise and bring
Peculiar honours to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the long amen.

421

Ray Palmer, 1808–87.

JESUS, these eyes have never seen
That radiant form of thine;
The veil of sense hangs dark between
Thy blessèd face and mine.

2 I see thee not, I hear thee not,
Yet art thou oft with me;
And earth hath ne'er so dear a spot
As where I met with thee.

3 Yet, though I have not seen, and still
Must rest in faith alone,
I love thee, dearest Lord, and will,
Unseen, but not unknown.

4. When death these mortal eyes shall seal,
And still this throbbing heart,
The rending veil shall thee reveal
All glorious as thou art.

422

W. Cowper, 1731–1800.

JESUS, where'er thy people meet,
There they behold thy mercy-seat;
Where'er they seek thee, thou art found,
And every place is hallowed ground.

2 For thou, within no walls confined,
Inhabitest the humble mind;
Such ever bring thee where they come,
And going, take thee to their home.

3 Dear Shepherd of thy chosen few,
Thy former mercies here renew;
Here to our waiting hearts proclaim
The sweetness of thy saving name.

4 Here may we prove the power of prayer,
To strengthen faith and sweeten care;
To teach our faint desires to rise,
And bring all heaven before our eyes.

5. Lord, we are few, but thou art near;
Nor short thine arm, nor deaf thine ear;
O rend the heavens, come quickly down,
And make a thousand hearts thine own!

423 *Henry Scott Holland*, 1847–1918.

JUDGE eternal, throned in splendour,
Lord of lords and King of kings,
With thy living fire of judgement
Purge this realm of bitter things:
Solace all its wide dominion
With the healing of thy wings.

2 Still the weary folk are pining
For the hour that brings release:
And the city's crowded clangour
Cries aloud for sin to cease;
And the homesteads and the woodlands
Plead in silence for their peace.

3. Crown, O God, thine own endeavour:
Cleave our darkness with thy sword:
Feed the faint and hungry heathen
With the richness of thy Word:
Cleanse the body of this empire
Through the glory of the Lord.

424 *George Herbert*, 1593–1633.

KING of glory, King of peace,
I will love thee;
And that love may never cease,
I will move thee.

Thou hast granted my request,
Thou hast heard me;
Thou didst note my working breast,
Thou hast spared me.

2 Wherefore with my utmost art
I will sing thee,
And the cream of all my heart
I will bring thee.
Though my sins against me cried,
Thou didst clear me;
And alone, when they replied,
Thou didst hear me.

3. Seven whole days, not one in seven,
I will praise thee;
In my heart, though not in heaven,
I can raise thee.
Small it is, in this poor sort
To enrol thee:
E'en eternity 's too short
To extol thee.

425

J. H. Newman, 1801–90.

LEAD, kindly Light, amid the encircling gloom,
Lead thou me on;
The night is dark, and I am far from home,
Lead thou me on.
Keep thou my feet; I do not ask to see
The distant scene; one step enough for me.

2 I was not ever thus, nor prayed that thou
Shouldst lead me on;
I loved to choose and see my path; but now
Lead thou me on.
I loved the garish day, and, spite of fears,
Pride ruled my will: remember not past years.

3. So long thy power hath blest me, sure it still
Will lead me on
O'er moor and fen, o'er crag and torrent, till
The night is gone,
And with the morn those Angel faces smile,
Which I have loved long since, and lost awhile.

426

J. Edmeston, 1791–1867.

LEAD us, heavenly Father, lead us
O'er the world's tempestuous sea;
Guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
For we have no help but thee;
Yet possessing every blessing
If our God our Father be.

2 Saviour! breathe forgiveness o'er us,
All our weakness thou dost know,
Thou didst tread this earth before us,
Thou didst feel its keenest woe;
Lone and dreary, faint and weary,
Through the desert thou didst go.

3. Spirit of our God, descending,
Fill our hearts with heavenly joy,
Love with every passion blending,
Pleasure that can never cloy:
Thus provided, pardoned, guided,
Nothing can our peace destroy!

427

George Herbert, 1593–1632.

LET all the world in every corner sing,
My God and King!
The heavens are not too high,
His praise may thither fly;
The earth is not too low,
His praises there may grow.
Let all the world in every corner sing,
My God and King!

2. Let all the world in every corner sing,
My God and King!
The Church with psalms must shout,
No door can keep them out;
But above all, the heart
Must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in every corner sing,
My God and King!

428

C. Wesley, 1707-88, *and others.*

LET saints on earth in concert sing
With those whose work is done;
For all the servants of our King
In earth and heaven are one.

2 One family, we dwell in him,
One Church, above, beneath;
Though now divided by the stream,
The narrow stream of death.

3 One army of the living God,
To his command we bow;
Part of his host hath crossed the flood,
And part is crossing now.

4 E'en now to their eternal home
There pass some spirits blest,
While others to the margin come,
Waiting their call to rest.

5. Jesu, be thou our constant Guide;
Then, when the word is given,
Bid Jordan's narrow stream divide,
And bring us safe to heaven.

429

H. Montagu Butler, 1833-1918.

'LIFT up your hearts!' We lift them, Lord, to thee;
Here at thy feet none other may we see:
'Lift up your hearts!' E'en so, with one accord,
We lift them up, we lift them to the Lord.

2 Above the level of the former years,
The mire of sin, the slough of guilty fears,
The mist of doubt, the blight of love's decay,
O Lord of Light, lift all our hearts to-day!

3 Above the swamps of subterfuge and shame,
The deeds, the thoughts, that honour may not name,
The halting tongue that dares not tell the whole,
O Lord of Truth, lift every Christian soul!

4 Lift every gift that thou thyself hast given;
Low lies the best till lifted up to heaven:
Low lie the bounding heart, the teeming brain,
Till, sent from God, they mount to God again.

5. Then, as the trumpet-call, in after years,
'Lift up your hearts!' rings pealing in our ears,
Still shall those hearts respond, with full accord,
'We lift them up, we lift them to the Lord!'

430

Mrs. Frances M. Owen, 1842-83.

LIGHTEN the darkness of our life's long night,
Through which we blindly stumble to the day.
Shadows mislead us: Father, send thy light
To set our footsteps in the homeward way.

2 Lighten the darkness of our self-conceit—
The subtle darkness that we love so well,
Which shrouds the path of wisdom from our feet,
And lulls our spirits with its baneful spell.

3 Lighten our darkness when we bow the knee
To all the gods we ignorantly make
And worship, dreaming that we worship thee,
Till clearer light our slumbering souls awake.

4. Lighten our darkness when we fail at last,
And in the midnight lay us down to die;
We trust to find thee when the night is past,
And daylight breaks across the morning sky.

431 *St. Thomas à Kempis*, 1380–1471. *Tr. J. M. Neale.*
Jerusalem luminosa.

LIGHT'S abode, celestial Salem,
Vision dear whence peace doth spring,
Brighter than the heart can fancy,
Mansion of the highest King;
O, how glorious are the praises
Which of thee the prophets sing!

2 There for ever and for ever
Alleluya is outpoured;
For unending, for unbroken
Is the feast-day of the Lord;
All is pure and all is holy
That within thy walls is stored.

3 There no cloud nor passing vapour
Dims the brightness of the air;
Endless noon-day, glorious noon-day,
From the Sun of suns is there;
There no night brings rest from labour,
There unknown are toil and care.

4 O how glorious and resplendent,
Fragile body, shalt thou be,
When endued with so much beauty,
Full of health, and strong, and free,
Full of vigour, full of pleasure
That shall last eternally!

5 Now with gladness, now with courage,
Bear the burden on thee laid,
That hereafter these thy labours
May with endless gifts be paid,
And in everlasting glory
Thou with joy may'st be arrayed.

6. Laud and honour to the Father,
Laud and honour to the Son,
Laud and honour to the Spirit,
Ever Three and ever One,
Consubstantial, co-eternal,
While unending ages run. Amen.

432

J. Quarles, 1624–65, *and H. F. Lyte.*

LONG did I toil, and knew no earthly rest,
Far did I rove, and found no certain home;
At last I sought them in his sheltering breast,
Who opes his arms, and bids the weary come:
With him I found a home, a rest divine,
And I since then am his, and he is mine.

2 The good I have is from his stores supplied,
The ill is only what he deems the best;
He for my Friend, I'm rich with nought beside,
And poor without him, though of all possest:
Changes may come, I take, or I resign,
Content, while I am his, while he is mine.

3 Whate'er may change, in him no change is seen,
A glorious Sun that wanes not nor declines,
Above the clouds and storms he walks serene,
And on his people's inward darkness shines:
All may depart, I fret not, nor repine,
While I my Saviour's am, while he is mine.

4.* While here, alas! I know but half his love,
But half discern him, and but half adore;
But when I meet him in the realms above
I hope to love him better, praise him more,
And feel, and tell, amid the choir divine,
How fully I am his, and he is mine.

433

Richard Baxter†, 1615–91.

LORD, it belongs not to my care
Whether I die or live;
To love and serve thee is my share,
And this thy grace must give.

2 If life be long, I will be glad,
That I may long obey;
If short, yet why should I be sad
To end my little day?

3 Christ leads me through no darker rooms
Than he went through before;
He that into God's kingdom comes
Must enter by this door.

4 Come, Lord, when grace hath made me meet
Thy blessèd face to see:
For if thy work on earth be sweet,
What will thy glory be!

5 Then I shall end my sad complaints
And weary, sinful days,
And join with the triumphant Saints
That sing my Saviour's praise.

6. My knowledge of that life is small,
The eye of faith is dim;
But 'tis enough that Christ knows all,
And I shall be with him.

434

O. Wendell Holmes, 1809–94.

LORD of all being, throned afar,
Thy glory flames from sun and star;
Centre and soul of every sphere,
Yet to each loving heart how near!

2 Sun of our life, thy quickening ray
Sheds on our path the glow of day;
Star of our hope, thy softened light
Cheers the long watches of the night.

3 Our midnight is thy smile withdrawn,
Our noontide is thy gracious dawn,
Our rainbow arch thy mercy's sign;
All, save the clouds of sin, are thine.

4 Lord of all life, below, above,
Whose light is truth, whose warmth is love,
Before thy ever-blazing throne
We ask no lustre of our own.

5. Grant us thy truth to make us free
And kindling hearts that burn for thee,
Till all thy living altars claim
One holy light, one heavenly flame.

435

P. Pusey ‡, 1799-1855. *Based on* Christe du Beistand, *M. von Löwenstern*, 1594-1648.

LORD of our life, and God of our salvation,
Star of our night, and Hope of every nation,
Hear and receive thy Church's supplication,
Lord God Almighty.

2 See round thine ark the hungry billows curling;
See how thy foes their banners are unfurling;
Lord, while their darts envenomed they are hurling,
Thou canst preserve us.

3 Lord, thou canst help when earthly armour faileth,
Lord, thou canst save when deadly sin assaileth;
Christ, o'er thy Rock nor death nor hell prevaileth;
Grant us thy peace, Lord.

4 * Peace in our hearts, our evil thoughts assuaging;
Peace in thy Church, where brothers are engaging;
Peace, when the world its busy war is waging:
Calm thy foes' raging.

5. Grant us thy help till backward they are driven,
Grant them thy truth, that they may be forgiven;
Grant peace on earth, and, after we have striven,
Peace in thy heaven.

436

Sir H. W. Baker, 1821-77.

LORD, thy word abideth,
And our footsteps guideth;
Who its truth believeth
Light and joy receiveth.

2 When our foes are near us,
Then thy word doth cheer us,
Word of consolation,
Message of salvation.

3 When the storms are o'er us,
And dark clouds before us,
Then its light directeth,
And our way protecteth.

4 Who can tell the pleasure,
Who recount the treasure
By thy word imparted
To the simple-hearted?

5 Word of mercy, giving
Succour to the living;
Word of life, supplying
Comfort to the dying.

6. O that we discerning
Its most holy learning,
Lord, may love and fear thee,
Evermore be near thee!

437

C. Wesley, 1707-88.

LOVE Divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesu, thou art all compassion,
Pure unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.

2 Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more thy temples leave.

Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.

3. Finish then thy new creation,
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in thee,
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

438

12th cent. *Tr. V. H.*

Amor Patris et Filii.

LOVE of the Father, love of God the Son,
From whom all came, in whom was all begun;
Who formest heavenly beauty out of strife,
Creation's whole desire and breath of life.

2 Thou the all-holy, thou supreme in might,
Thou dost give peace, thy presence maketh right;
Thou with thy favour all things dost enfold,
With thine all-kindness free from harm wilt hold.

3 Hope of all comfort, splendour of all aid,
That dost not fail nor leave the heart afraid:
To all that cry thou dost all help accord,
The Angels' armour, and the Saints' reward.

4 Purest and highest, wisest and most just,
There is no truth save only in thy trust;
Thou dost the mind from earthly dreams recall,
And bring through Christ to him for whom are all.

5. Eternal glory, all men thee adore,
Who art and shalt be worshipped evermore:
Us whom thou madest, comfort with thy might,
And lead us to enjoy thy heavenly light.

439

Ray Palmer, 1808–87.

MY faith looks up to thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Saviour divine!
Now hear me while I pray,
Take all my guilt away,
O let me from this day
Be wholly thine.

2 May thy rich grace impart
Strength to my fainting heart,
My zeal inspire;
As thou hast died for me,
O may my love to thee
Pure, warm, and changeless be,
A living fire.

3 While life's dark maze I tread,
And griefs around me spread,
Be thou my guide;
Bid darkness turn to day,
Wipe sorrow's tears away,
Nor let me ever stray
From thee aside.

4. When ends life's transient dream,
When death's cold sullen stream
Shall o'er me roll,
Blest Saviour, then in love
Fear and distrust remove;
O bear me safe above,
A ransomed soul.

440

Charlotte Elliott, 1789–1871.

MY God and Father, while I stray,
Far from my home, in life's rough way,
O teach me from my heart to say,
'Thy will be done!

2 If but my fainting heart be blest
With thy sweet Spirit for its guest,
My God, to thee I leave the rest—
Thy will be done!

3 Renew my will from day to day,
Blend it with thine, and take away
All that now makes it hard to say,
'Thy will be done!'

4. Then when on earth I breathe no more
The prayer oft mixed with tears before,
I'll sing upon a happier shore—
'Thy will be done!'

441

F. W. Faber, 1814–63.

MY God, how wonderful thou art,
Thy majesty how bright,
How beautiful thy mercy-seat,
In depths of burning light!

2 How dread are thine eternal years,
O everlasting Lord,
By prostrate spirits day and night
Incessantly adored!

3 How wonderful, how beautiful,
The sight of thee must be,
Thine endless wisdom, boundless power,
And awful purity!

4 O, how I fear thee, living God,
With deepest, tenderest fears,
And worship thee with trembling hope,
And penitential tears!

5 Yet I may love thee too, O Lord,
Almighty as thou art,
For thou hast stooped to ask of me
The love of my poor heart.

6 No earthly father loves like thee,
No mother, e'er so mild,
Bears and forbears as thou hast done
With me thy sinful child.

7. Father of Jesus, love's reward,
What rapture will it be
Prostrate before thy throne to lie,
And gaze and gaze on thee.

442

Y. H., based on I. Watts.

MY Lord, my Life, my Love,
To thee, to thee I call;
I cannot live if thou remove:
Thou art my joy, my all.

2 My only sun to cheer
The darkness where I dwell;
The best and only true delight
My song hath found to tell.

3 To thee in very heaven
The Angels owe their bliss;
To thee the Saints, whom thou hast called
Where perfect pleasure is.

4 And how shall man, thy child,
Without thee happy be,
Who hath no comfort nor desire
In all the world but thee?

5. Return my Love, my Life,
Thy grace hath won my heart;
If thou forgive, if thou return,
I will no more depart.

443

J. Byrom †, 1692–1763.

MY spirit longs for thee
Within my troubled breast,
Though I unworthy be
Of so divine a Guest.

2 Of so divine a Guest
Unworthy though I be,
Yet has my heart no rest
Unless it come from thee.

3 Unless it come from thee,
In vain I look around;
In all that I can see
No rest is to be found.

4. No rest is to be found
But in thy blessèd love:
O, let my wish be crowned,
And send it from above!

444

Sarah F. Adams, 1805–48.

NEARER, my God, to thee,
Nearer to thee!
E'en though it be a cross
That raiseth me:
Still all my song would be,
'Nearer, my God, to thee,—
Nearer to thee!'

2 Though, like the wanderer,
The sun gone down,
Darkness be over me,
My rest a stone;
Yet in my dreams I'd be
Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer to thee!

3. There let the way appear,
Steps unto heaven;
All that thou send'st to me
In mercy given.
Angels to beckon me
Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer to thee!

445

W. Cowper, 1731–1800.

O FOR a closer walk with God,
A calm and heavenly frame;
A light to shine upon the road
That leads me to the Lamb!

2 Return, O holy Dove, return,
Sweet messenger of rest;
I hate the sins that made thee mourn,
And drove thee from my breast.

3 The dearest idol I have known,
Whate'er that idol be,
Help me to tear it from thy throne,
And worship only thee.

4. So shall my walk be close with God,
Calm and serene my frame;
So purer light shall mark the road
That leads me to the Lamb.

446

C. Wesley, 1707–88.

O FOR a thousand tongues to sing
My dear Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of his grace!

2 Jesus—the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life, and health, and peace.

3* He breaks the power of cancelled sin,
He sets the prisoner free;
His Blood can make the foulest clean;
His Blood availed for me.

4 He speaks ;—and, listening to his voice,
New life the dead receive,
The mournful broken hearts rejoice,
The humble poor believe.

5 Hear him, ye deaf ; his praise, ye dumb,
Your loosened tongues employ ;
Ye blind, behold your Saviour come ;
And leap, ye lame, for joy!

6. My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim
And spread through all the earth abroad
The honours of thy name.

447

P. Doddridge, 1702-51, *and J. Logan.*

O GOD of Bethel, by whose hand
Thy people still are fed,
Who through this weary pilgrimage
Hast all our fathers led :

2 Our vows, our prayers, we now present
Before thy throne of grace ;
God of our fathers, be the God
Of their succeeding race.

3 Through each perplexing path of life
Our wandering footsteps guide ;
Give us each day our daily bread,
And raiment fit provide.

4. O spread thy covering wings around,
Till all our wanderings cease,
And at our Father's loved abode
Our souls arrive in peace.

448

G. Thring, 1823–1903.

O GOD of mercy, God of might,
In love and pity infinite,
Teach us, as ever in thy sight,
To live our life to thee.

2 And thou, who cam'st on earth to die
That fallen man might live thereby,
O hear us, for to thee we cry,
In hope, O Lord, to thee.

3 Teach us the lesson thou hast taught,
To feel for those thy Blood hath bought,
That every word, and deed, and thought
May work a work for thee.

4 For all are brethren, far and wide,
Since thou, O Lord, for all hast died:
Then teach us, whatsoe'er betide,
To love them all in thee.

5 In sickness, sorrow, want, or care,
Whate'er it be, 'tis ours to share;
May we, where help is needed, there
Give help as unto thee.

6. And may thy Holy Spirit move
All those who live to live in love,
Till thou shalt greet in heaven above
All those who give to thee.

449

T. Hughes, 1823–96.

O GOD of truth, whose living word
Upholds whate'er hath breath,
Look down on thy creation, Lord,
Enslaved by sin and death.

2 Set up thy standard, Lord, that we
Who claim a heavenly birth
May march with thee to smite the lies
That vex thy groaning earth.

3 Ah! would we join that blest array,
And follow in the might
Of him, the Faithful and the True,
In raiment clean and white!

4 We fight for truth! we fight for God!
Poor slaves of lies and sin;
He who would fight for thee on earth
Must first be true within.

5 Then, God of truth, for whom we long—
Thou who wilt hear our prayer—
Do thine own battle in our hearts,
And slay the falsehood there.

6. Yea, come! then, tried as in the fire,
From every lie set free,
Thy perfect truth shall dwell in us,
And we shall live in thee.

450 *Ps.* 90. *I. Watts* †, 1674-1748.

O GOD, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home;

2 Under the shadow of thy throne
Thy Saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is thine arm alone,
And our defence is sure.

3 Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting thou art God,
To endless years the same.

4 A thousand ages in thy sight
Are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away;
They fly forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.

6. O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be thou our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home.

451 *F. W. Faber*, 1814-63.

O GOD, thy power is wonderful,
Thy glory passing bright;
Thy wisdom, with its deep on deep,
A rapture to the sight.

2 Thy justice is the gladdest thing
Creation can behold;
Thy tenderness so meek, it wins
The guilty to be bold.

3 Yet more than all, and ever more,
Should we thy creatures bless,
Most worshipful of attributes,
Thine awful holiness.

4 There's not a craving in the mind
Thou dost not meet and still;
There's not a wish the heart can have
Which thou dost not fulfil.

5. O little heart of mine, shall pain
Or sorrow make thee moan,
When all this God is all for thee,
A Father all thine own?

452 *J. M. Neale*, 1818-66.

O HAPPY band of pilgrims,
If onward ye will tread
With Jesus as your fellow
To Jesus as your Head!

2 O happy if ye labour
As Jesus did for men;
O happy if ye hunger
As Jesus hungered then!

3* The Cross that Jesus carried
He carried as your due;
The Crown that Jesus weareth,
He weareth it for you.

4* The faith by which ye see him,
The hope in which ye yearn,
The love that through all troubles
To him alone will turn,

5* What are they but forerunners
To lead you to his sight?
What are they save the effluenco
Of uncreated Light?

6 The trials that beset you,
The sorrows ye endure,
The manifold temptations
That death alone can cure,

7 What are they but his jewels
Of right celestial worth?
What are they but the ladder
Set up to heaven on earth?

8. O happy band of pilgrims,
Look upward to the skies,
Where such a light affliction
Shall win you such a prize!

453 *C. Coffin*, 1676–1749. *Tr. J. Chandler.*

O fons amoris, Spiritus.

O HOLY Spirit, Lord of grace,
Eternal source of love,
Inflame, we pray, our inmost hearts
With fire from heaven above.

2 As thou dost join with holiest bonds
The Father and the Son,
So fill thy saints with mutual love
And link their hearts in one.

3. To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Holy Ghost,
Eternal glory be from man,
And from the Angel-host. Amen.

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Pentecostarion, c. 8*th cent. Tr. J. B.*

Βασιλεῦ οὐράνιε, Παράκλητε.

O KING enthroned on high,
Thou Comforter divine,
Blest Spirit of all truth, be nigh
And make us thine.

2 Thou art the Source of life,
Thou art our treasure-store;
Give us thy peace, and end our strife
For evermore.

3. Descend, O heavenly Dove,
Abide with us alway;
And in the fullness of thy love
Cleanse us, we pray.

455

H. S. Oswald, 1751–1834. *Tr. F. E. Cox* ‡.

Wem in Leidenstagen.

O LET him whose sorrow
No relief can find,
Trust in God, and borrow
Ease for heart and mind.

2 Where the mourner weeping
Sheds the secret tear,
God his watch is keeping,
Though none else be near.

3 God will never leave thee,
All thy wants he knows,
Feels the pains that grieve thee,
Sees thy cares and woes.

4 Raise thine eyes to heaven
When thy spirits quail,
When, by tempests driven,
Heart and courage fail.

5 When in grief we languish,
He will dry the tear,
Who his children's anguish
Soothes with succour near.

6 All our woe and sadness
In this world below
Balance not the gladness
We in heaven shall know.

7. Jesu, gracious Saviour,
In the realms above
Crown us with thy favour,
Fill us with thy love.

456

J. G. Whittier, 1807–92

O LORD, and Master of us all,
Whate'er our name or sign,
We own thy sway, we hear thy call,
We test our lives by thine.

2 Thou judgest us; thy purity
Doth all our lusts condemn;
The love that draws us nearer thee
Is hot with wrath to them;

3 Our thoughts lie open to thy sight;
And naked to thy glance
Our secret sins are in the light
Of thy pure countenance.

4 Yet weak and blinded though we be
Thou dost our service own;
We bring our varying gifts to thee,
And thou rejectest none.

5 To thee our full humanity,
Its joys and pains belong;
The wrong of man to man on thee
Inflicts a deeper wrong.

6 Who hates, hates thee; who loves, becomes
Therein to thee allied:
All sweet accords of hearts and homes
In thee are multiplied.

7. Apart from thee all gain is loss,
All labour vainly done;
The solemn shadow of thy Cross
Is better than the sun.

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J. Anstice, 1808-36.

O LORD, how happy should we be
If we could cast our care on thee,
If we from self could rest;
And feel at heart that One above,
In perfect wisdom, perfect love,
Is working for the best.

2 Could we but kneel, and cast our load,
E'en while we pray, upon our God,
Then rise with lightened cheer;
Sure that the Father, who is nigh
To still the famished raven's cry,
Will hear in that we fear.

3. Lord, make these faithless hearts of ours
Such lessons learn from birds and flowers—
Make them from self to cease;
Leave all things to a Father's will,
And taste, before him lying still,
E'en in affliction, peace.

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E. H. Plumptre, 1821-91.

O LORD of hosts, all heaven possessing,
Behold us from thy sapphire throne,
In doubt and darkness dimly guessing,
We might thy glory half have known;
But thou in Christ hast made us thine,
And on us all thy beauties shine.

2 Illumine all, disciples, teachers,
Thy law's deep wonders to unfold;
With reverent hand let wisdom's preachers
Bring forth their treasures, new and old;
Let oldest, youngest, find in thee
Of truth and love the boundless sea.

3 Let faith still light the lamp of science,
And knowledge pass from truth to truth,
And wisdom, in its full reliance,
Renew the primal awe of youth;
So holier, wiser, may we grow,
As time's swift currents onward flow.

4.*Bind thou our life in fullest union
With all thy Saints from sin set free;
Uphold us in that blest communion
Of all thy Saints on earth with thee;
Keep thou our souls, or there, or here,
In mightiest love, that casts out fear.

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15th cent. Tr. B. Webb.

O Amor, quam ecstaticus.

O LOVE, how deep, how broad, how high!
How passing thought and fantasy
That God, the Son of God, should take
Our mortal form for mortals' sake.

2 He sent no Angel to our race
Of higher or of lower place,
But wore the robe of human frame,
And he himself to this world came.

3 For us baptized, for us he bore
His holy fast, and hungered sore;
For us temptations sharp he knew;
For us the tempter overthrew.

4 For us to wicked men betrayed,
Scourged, mocked, in crown of thorns arrayed;
For us he bore the Cross's death;
For us at length gave up his breath.

5 For us he rose from death again,
For us he went on high to reign,
For us he sent his Spirit here
To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

6. All honour, laud, and glory be,
O Jesu, Virgin-born, to thee,
All glory, as is ever meet,
To Father and to Paraclete. Amen.

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J. Scheffler, 1624-77. *Tr. C. Winkworth.*

Liebe die du mich zum Bilde.

O LOVE, who formest me to wear
The image of thy Godhead here;
Who soughtest me with tender care
Through all my wanderings wild and drear:
O Love, I give myself to thee,
Thine ever, only thine to be.

2 O Love, who once in time wast slain,
Pierced through and through with bitter woe;
O Love, who wrestling thus didst gain
That we eternal joy might know:

3 O Love, of whom is truth and light,
The Word and Spirit, life and power,
Whose heart was bared to them that smite,
To shield us in our trial hour:

4* O Love, who lovest me for ay,
Who for my soul dost ever plead;
O Love, who didst my ransom pay,
Whose power sufficeth in my stead:

5.* O Love, who once shalt bid me rise
From out this dying life of ours;
O Love, who once above yon skies
Shalt set me in the fadeless bowers:

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Harriet Auber, 1773-1862.

O PRAISE our great and gracious Lord
And call upon his name;
To strains of joy tune every chord,
His mighty acts proclaim;
Tell how he led his chosen race
To Canaan's promised land;
Tell how his covenant of grace
Unchanged shall ever stand.

2* He gave the shadowing cloud by day,
The moving fire by night;
To guide his Israel on their way,
He made their darkness light;
And have not we a sure retreat,
A Saviour ever nigh,
The same clear light to guide our feet,
The Dayspring from on high?

3 We too have Manna from above,
The Bread that came from heaven;
To us the same kind hand of love
Hath living waters given.
A Rock we have, from whence the spring
In rich abundance flows;
That Rock is Christ, our Priest, our King,
Who life and health bestows.

4. O let us prize this blessèd food,
And trust our heavenly Guide;
So shall we find death's fearful flood
Serene as Jordan's tide,
And safely reach that happy shore,
The land of peace and rest,
Where Angels worship and adore,
In God's own presence blest.

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L. Tuttiett, 1825–99.

O QUICKLY come, dread Judge of all;
For, awful though thine advent be,
All shadows from the truth will fall,
And falsehood die, in sight of thee:
O quickly come; for doubt and fear
Like clouds dissolve when thou art near.

2 O quickly come, great King of all;
Reign all around us, and within;
Let sin no more our souls enthral,
Let pain and sorrow die with sin:
O quickly come; for thou alone
Canst make thy scattered people one.

3 O quickly come, true Life of all,
For death is mighty all around;
On every home his shadows fall,
On every heart his mark is found:
O quickly come; for grief and pain
Can never cloud thy glorious reign.

4. O quickly come, sure Light of all,
For gloomy night broods o'er our way,
And weakly souls begin to fall
With weary watching for the day:
O quickly come; for round thy throne
No eye is blind, no night is known.

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F. L. Hosmer, 1840–1929.

O THOU in all thy might so far,
In all thy love so near,
Beyond the range of sun and star,
And yet beside us here:

2 What heart can comprehend thy name,
Or searching find thee out,
Who art within, a quickening flame,
A presence round about?

3 Yet though I know thee but in part,
I ask not, Lord, for more;
Enough for me to know thou art,
To love thee, and adore.

4. And dearer than all things I know
Is childlike faith to me,
That makes the darkest way I go
An open path to thee.

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F. T. Palgrave, 1824–97.

O THOU not made with hands,
Not throned above the skies,
Nor walled with shining walls,
Nor framed with stones of price,
More bright than gold or gem,
God's own Jerusalem!

2 Where'er the gentle heart
Finds courage from above;
Where'er the heart forsook
Warms with the breath of love;
Where faith bids fear depart,
City of God, thou art.

3 Thou art where'er the proud
In humbleness melts down;
Where self itself yields up;
Where Martyrs win their crown;
Where faithful souls possess
Themselves in perfect peace;

4 Where in life's common ways
With cheerful feet we go;
Where in his steps we tread,
Who trod the way of woe;
Where he is in the heart,
City of God, thou art.

5. Not throned above the skies,
Nor golden-walled afar,
But where Christ's two or three
In his name gathered are,
Be in the midst of them,
God's own Jerusalem.

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P. Abelard, 1079–1142. *Tr. J. M. Neale.*

O quanta qualia sunt illa Sabbata.

O WHAT their joy and their glory must be,
Those endless Sabbaths the blessèd ones see!
Crown for the valiant; to weary ones rest;
God shall be all, and in all ever blest.

2* What are the Monarch, his court, and his throne?
What are the peace and the joy that they own?
Tell us, ye blest ones, that in it have share,
If what ye feel ye can fully declare.

3 Truly Jerusalem name we that shore,
'Vision of peace,' that brings joy evermore!
Wish and fulfilment can severed be ne'er,
Nor the thing prayed for come short of the prayer.

4 We, where no trouble distraction can bring,
Safely the anthems of Sion shall sing;

While for thy grace, Lord, their voices of praise
Thy blessèd people shall evermore raise.

5* There dawns no Sabbath, no Sabbath is o'er,
Those Sabbath-keepers have one and no more;
One and unending is that triumph-song
Which to the Angels and us shall belong.

6* Now in the meanwhile, with hearts raised on high,
We for that country must yearn and must sigh,
Seeking Jerusalem, dear native land,
Through our long exile on Babylon's strand.

7. Low before him with our praises we fall,
Of whom, and in whom, and through whom are all;
Of whom, the Father; and through whom, the Son;
In whom, the Spirit, with these ever One. Amen.

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Ps. 104. *Sir R. Grant*‡, 1779–1838.

O WORSHIP the King
All glorious above;
O gratefully sing
His power and his love:
Our Shield and Defender,
The Ancient of days,
Pavilioned in splendour,
And girded with praise.

2 O tell of his might,
O sing of his grace,
Whose robe is the light,
Whose canopy space.
His chariots of wrath
The deep thunder-clouds form,
And dark is his path
On the wings of the storm.

3 This earth, with its store
Of wonders untold,
Almighty, thy power
Hath founded of old:

Hath stablished it fast
By a changeless decree,
And round it hath cast,
Like a mantle, the sea.

4* Thy bountiful care
What tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air,
It shines in the light;
It streams from the hills,
It descends to the plain,
And sweetly distils
In the dew and the rain.

5* Frail children of dust,
And feeble as frail,
In thee do we trust,
Nor find thee to fail;
Thy mercies how tender!
How firm to the end!
Our Maker, Defender,
Redeemer, and Friend.

6. O measureless Might,
Ineffable Love,
While Angels delight
To hymn thee above,
Thy humbler creation,
Though feeble their lays,
With true adoration
Shall sing to thy praise.

467 *H. Kirke White* (1785–1806), *Frances S. Fuller-Maitland and others* (1827).

OFT in danger, oft in woe,
Onward, Christians, onward go;
Bear the toil, maintain the strife,
Strengthened with the Bread of Life.

2 Onward, Christians, onward go,
Join the war, and face the foe;
Will ye flee in danger's hour?
Know ye not your Captain's power?

3 Let your drooping hearts be glad;
March in heavenly armour clad;
Fight, nor think the battle long,
Victory soon shall tune your song.

4 Let not sorrow dim your eye,
Soon shall every tear be dry;
Let not fears your course impede,
Great your strength, if great your need.

5. Onward then in battle move;
More than conquerors ye shall prove;
Though opposed by many a foe,
Christian soldiers, onward go.

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Bishop E. H. Bickersteth, 1825–1906.

PEACE, perfect peace, in this dark world of sin?
The Blood of Jesus whispers peace within.

2 Peace, perfect peace, by thronging duties pressed?
To do the will of Jesus, this is rest.

3 Peace, perfect peace, with sorrows surging round?
On Jesus' bosom nought but calm is found.

4 Peace, perfect peace, with loved ones far away?
In Jesus' keeping we are safe and they.

5 Peace, perfect peace, our future all unknown?
Jesus we know, and he is on the throne.

6 Peace, perfect peace, death shadowing us and ours?
Jesus has vanquished death and all its powers.

7. It is enough: earth's struggles soon shall cease,
And Jesus call us to heaven's perfect peace.

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Ps. 84. *H. F. Lyte*, 1793–1847.

PLEASANT are thy courts above
In the land of light and love;
Pleasant are thy courts below
In this land of sin and woe:

O, my spirit longs and faints
For the converse of thy Saints,
For the brightness of thy face,
For thy fullness, God of grace.

2 Happy birds that sing and fly
Round thy altars, O Most High;
Happier souls that find a rest
In a heavenly Father's breast;
Like the wandering dove that found
No repose on earth around,
They can to their ark repair,
And enjoy it ever there.

3 Happy souls, their praises flow
Even in this vale of woe;
Waters in the desert rise,
Manna feeds them from the skies;
On they go from strength to strength,
Till they reach thy throne at length,
At thy feet adoring fall,
Who hast led them safe through all.

4. Lord, be mine this prize to win,
Guide me through a world of sin,
Keep me by thy saving grace,
Give me at thy side a place;
Sun and shield alike thou art,
Guide and guard my erring heart.
Grace and glory flow from thee;
Shower, O shower them, Lord, on me.

470 *Ps.* 103. *H. F. Lyte*, 1793–1847.

PRAISE, my soul, the King of heaven;
To his feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who like me his praise should sing?
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise the everlasting King.

2 Praise him for his grace and favour
To our fathers in distress;
Praise him still the same for ever,
Slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Praise him! Praise him!
Glorious in his faithfulness.

3 Father-like, he tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame he knows;
In his hands he gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Praise him! Praise him!
Widely as his mercy flows.

4. Angels, help us to adore him:
Ye behold him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before him;
Dwellers all in time and space.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise with us the God of grace.

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J. H. Newman, 1801-80.

PRAISE to the Holiest in the height,
And in the depth be praise,
In all his words most wonderful,
Most sure in all his ways.

2 O loving wisdom of our God!
When all was sin and shame,
A second Adam to the fight
And to the rescue came.

3*O wisest love! that flesh and blood,
Which did in Adam fail,
Should strive afresh against their foe,
Should strive and should prevail;

4* And that a higher gift than grace
Should flesh and blood refine,
God's presence and his very Self,
And Essence all-divine.

5 O generous love! that he who smote
In Man for man the foe,
The double agony in Man
For man should undergo;

6 And in the garden secretly,
And on the Cross on high,
Should teach his brethren, and inspire
To suffer and to die.

7. Praise to the Holiest in the height,
And in the depth be praise,
In all his words most wonderful,
Most sure in all his ways.

472 *Ps.* 122. *Scottish Psalter* (1650)

PRAY that Jerusalem may have
Peace and felicity:
Let them that love thee and thy peace
Have still prosperity.

2 Therefore I wish that peace may still
Within thy walls remain,
And ever may thy palaces
Prosperity retain.

3. Now, for my friends and brethren's sake,
Peace be in thee, I'll say;
And for the house of God our Lord
I'll seek thy good alway.

473 *Mrs. J. C. Simpson*, 1811–86, *and others.*

PRAY when the morn is breaking,
Pray when the noon is bright,
Pray with the eve's declining,
Pray in the hush of night:

With mind made pure of passion,
All meaner thoughts away,
Low in thy chamber kneeling
Do thou in secret pray.

2 Remember all who love thee,
All who are loved by thee,
And next for those that hate thee
Pray thou, if such there be:
Last for thyself in meekness
A blessing humbly claim,
And link with each petition
Thy great Redeemer's name.

3. But if 'tis e'er denied thee
In solitude to pray,
Should holy thoughts come o'er thee
Upon life's crowded way,
E'en then the silent breathing
That lifts thy soul above
Shall reach the thronèd Presence
Of Mercy, Truth and Love.

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J. Montgomery, 1771–1854.

PRAYER is the soul's sincere desire,
Uttered or unexpressed;
The motion of a hidden fire
That trembles in the breast.

2 Prayer is the burden of a sigh,
The falling of a tear,
The upward glancing of an eye
When none but God is near.

3 Prayer is the simplest form of speech
That infant lips can try;
Prayer the sublimest strains that reach
The Majesty on high.

4 Prayer is the contrite sinner's voice,
Returning from his ways,
While Angels in their songs rejoice,
And cry, 'Behold, he prays!'

5 Prayer is the Christian's vital breath,
The Christian's native air,
His watchword at the gates of death:
He enters heaven with prayer.

6 The saints in prayer appear as one
In word, and deed, and mind,
While with the Father and the Son
Sweet fellowship they find.

7. O thou by whom we come to God,
The Life, the Truth, the Way,
The path of prayer thyself hast trod:
Lord, teach us how to pray.

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Y. H.

REJOICE, O land, in God thy might,
His will obey, him serve aright;
For thee the Saints uplift their voice:
Fear not, O land, in God rejoice.

2 Glad shalt thou be, with blessing crowned,
With joy and peace thou shalt abound;
Yea, love with thee shall make his home
Until thou see God's kingdom come.

3. He shall forgive thy sins untold:
Remember thou his love of old;
Walk in his way, his word adore,
And keep his truth for evermore.

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C. Wesley, 1707–88.

REJOICE, the Lord is King,
Your Lord and King adore;
Mortals, give thanks and sing,
And triumph evermore:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice.

2 Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,
The God of truth and love;
When he had purged our stains,
He took his seat above:

3 His kingdom cannot fail;
He rules o'er earth and heaven;
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus given:

4. He sits at God's right hand
Till all his foes submit,
And bow to his command,
And fall beneath his feet:

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A. M. Toplady †, 1740–78.

ROCK of ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in thee;
Let the Water and the Blood,
From thy riven side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure,
Cleanse me from its guilt and power.

2*Not the labours of my hands
Can fulfil thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know,
Could my tears for ever flow,
All for sin could not atone;
Thou must save, and thou alone.

3 Nothing in my hand I bring,
Simply to thy Cross I cling;
Naked, come to thee for dress;
Helpless, look to thee for grace;
Foul, I to the Fountain fly;
Wash me, Saviour, or I die.

4. While I draw this fleeting breath,
When mine eyes are closed in death,
When I soar through tracts unknown,
See thee on thy judgement throne;
Rock of ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in thee.

478 *J. J. Schütz*, 1640–90. *Tr. F. E. Cox.*

Sei Lob und Ehr' dem höchsten Gut.

SING praise to God who reigns above,
The God of all creation,
The God of power, the God of love,
The God of our salvation;
With healing balm my soul he fills,
And every faithless murmur stills:
To God all praise and glory!

2 The Angel-host, O King of kings,
Thy praise for ever telling,
In earth and sky all living things
Beneath thy shadow dwelling,
Adore the wisdom which could span
And power which formed creation's plan:

3 What God's almighty power hath made
His gracious mercy keepeth;
By morning glow or evening shade
His watchful eye ne'er sleepeth:
Within the kingdom of his might
Lo! all is just, and all is right:

4* Then all my gladsome way along
I sing aloud thy praises,
That men may hear the grateful song
My voice unwearied raises:
Be joyful in the Lord, my heart!
Both soul and body bear your part!

5. O ye who name Christ's holy name,
Give God all praise and glory:
All ye who own his power, proclaim
Aloud the wondrous story!
Cast each false idol from his throne,
The Lord is God, and he alone:

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C. Wesley, 1707–88.

SOLDIERS of Christ, arise,
And put your armour on;
Strong in the strength which God supplies,
Through his eternal Son;

2 Strong in the Lord of Hosts,
And in his mighty power;
Who in the strength of Jesus trusts
Is more than conqueror.

3 Stand then in his great might,
With all his strength endued;
And take, to arm you for the fight,
The panoply of God.

4 From strength to strength go on,
Wrestle, and fight, and pray;
Tread all the powers of darkness down,
And win the well-fought day.

5. That having all things done,
And all your conflicts past,
Ye may o'ercome, through Christ alone,
And stand entire at last.

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18th cent. Tr. J. H. Clark.

Pugnate, Christi milites.

SOLDIERS, who are Christ's below,
Strong in faith resist the foe;
Boundless is the pledged reward
Unto them who serve the Lord.

2 'Tis no palm of fading leaves
That the conqueror's hand receives;
Joys are his, serene and pure,
Light that ever shall endure.

3 For the souls that overcome
Waits the beauteous heavenly home,
Where the blessèd evermore
Tread on high the starry floor.

4 Passing soon and little worth
Are the things that tempt on earth;
Heavenward lift thy soul's regard;
God himself is thy reward;

5. Father who the crown dost give,
Saviour by whose death we live,
Spirit who our hearts dost raise,
Three in One, thy name we praise. Amen.

481 *J. Montgomery* †, 1771–1854.

SONGS of praise the Angels sang,
Heaven with Alleluyas rang,
When creation was begun,
When God spake and it was done.

2 Songs of praise awoke the morn
When the Prince of peace was born;
Songs of praise arose when he
Captive led captivity.

3 Heaven and earth must pass away,
Songs of praise shall crown that day;
God will make new heavens and earth,
Songs of praise shall hail their birth.

4 And will man alone be dumb
Till that glorious kingdom come?
No, the Church delights to raise
Psalms and hymns and songs of praise.

5 Saints below, with heart and voice,
Still in songs of praise rejoice;
Learning here, by faith and love,
Songs of praise to sing above.

6. Hymns of glory, songs of praise,
Father, unto thee we raise;
Jesu, glory unto thee,
Ever with the Spirit be. Amen.

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W. H. Burleigh, 1812–71.

STILL will we trust, though earth seem dark and dreary,
And the heart faint beneath his chastening rod,
Though rough and steep our pathway, worn and weary,
Still will we trust in God!

2 Our eyes see dimly till by faith anointed,
And our blind choosing brings us grief and pain;
Through him alone, who hath our way appointed,
We find our peace again.

3 Choose for us, God, nor let our weak preferring
Cheat our poor souls of good thou hast designed:
Choose for us, God; thy wisdom is unerring,
And we are fools and blind.

4* So from our sky the night shall furl her shadows,
And day pour gladness through his golden gates,
Our rough path lead to flower-enamelled meadows,
Where joy our coming waits.

5. Let us press on: in patient self-denial,
Accept the hardship, shrink not from the loss;
Our guerdon lies beyond the hour of trial,
Our crown beyond the cross.

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Alfred, Lord Tennyson, 1809–92.

STRONG Son of God, immortal Love,
Whom we, that have not seen thy face,
By faith, and faith alone, embrace,
Believing where we cannot prove:

2 Thou wilt not leave us in the dust;
Thou madest man, he knows not why;
He thinks he was not made to die:
And thou hast made him, thou art just.

3 Thou seemest human and divine,
The highest, holiest manhood thou:
Our wills are ours, we know not how;
Our wills are ours, to make them thine.

4. Our little systems have their day;
They have their day and cease to be:
They are but broken lights of thee,
And thou, O Lord, art more than they.

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C. W. Everest‡, 1814–77.

TAKE up thy cross, the Saviour said,
If thou wouldst my disciple be;
Deny thyself, the world forsake,
And humbly follow after me.

2 Take up thy cross; let not its weight
Fill thy weak spirit with alarm;
His strength shall bear thy spirit up,
And brace thy heart, and nerve thine arm.

3 *Take up thy cross, nor heed the shame,
Nor let thy foolish pride rebel;
Thy Lord for thee the Cross endured,
To save thy soul from death and hell.

4 Take up thy cross then in his strength,
And calmly every danger brave;
'Twill guide thee to a better home,
And lead to victory o'er the grave.

5 Take up thy cross, and follow Christ,
Nor think till death to lay it down;
For only he who bears the cross
May hope to wear the glorious crown.

6. To thee, great Lord, the One in Three,
All praise for evermore ascend;
O grant us in our Home to see
The heavenly life that knows no end.

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G. Herbert, 1593–1632.

TEACH me, my God and King,
In all things thee to see;
And what I do in anything
To do it as for thee!

2 A man that looks on glass,
On it may stay his eye;
Or if he pleaseth, through it pass,
And then the heaven espy.

3 All may of thee partake;
Nothing can be so mean,
Which with this tincture, 'for thy sake',
Will not grow bright and clean.

4 A servant with this clause
Makes drudgery divine;
Who sweeps a room, as for thy laws,
Makes that and the action fine.

5. This is the famous stone
That turneth all to gold;
For that which God doth touch and own
Cannot for less be told.

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H. Alford, 1810–71

TEN thousand times ten thousand,
In sparkling raiment bright,
The armies of the ransomed Saints
Throng up the steeps of light;
'Tis finished! all is finished,
Their fight with death and sin;
Fling open wide the golden gates,
And let the victors in.

2 What rush of Alleluyas
Fills all the earth and sky!
What ringing of a thousand harps
Bespeaks the triumph nigh!

O day, for which creation
And all its tribes were made!
O joy, for all its former woes
A thousandfold repaid!

3 O, then what raptured greetings
On Canaan's happy shore,
What knitting severed friendships up,
Where partings are no more!
Then eyes with joy shall sparkle
That brimmed with tears of late;
Orphans no longer fatherless,
Nor widows desolate.

4. Bring near thy great salvation,
Thou Lamb for sinners slain,
Fill up the roll of thine elect,
Then take thy power and reign:
Appear, Desire of nations;
Thine exiles long for home;
Show in the heaven thy promised sign;
Thou Prince and Saviour, come.

487 *Sir Walter Scott*, 1771–1832. *Based on* Dies irae.

THAT day of wrath, that dreadful day,
When heaven and earth shall pass away,
What power shall be the sinner's stay?
How shall he meet that dreadful day?

2 When, shrivelling like a parchèd scroll,
The flaming heavens together roll;
When louder yet, and yet more dread,
Swells the high trump that wakes the dead:

3. O, on that day, that wrathful day,
When man to judgement wakes from clay,
Be thou the trembling sinner's stay,
Though heaven and earth shall pass away!

488

L. B. C. L Muirhead, 1845–1925.

THE Church of God a kingdom is,
Where Christ in power doth reign,
Where spirits yearn till seen in bliss
Their Lord shall come again.

2 Glad companies of saints possess
This Church below, above;
And God's perpetual calm doth bless
Their paradise of love.

3 An altar stands within the shrine
Whereon, once sacrificed,
Is set, immaculate, divine,
The Lamb of God, the Christ.

4 There rich and poor, from countless lands,
Praise Christ on mystic Rood;
There nations reach forth holy hands
To take God's holy Food.

5 There pure life-giving streams o'erflow
The sower's garden-ground;
And faith and hope fair blossoms show,
And fruits of love abound.

6. O King, O Christ, this endless grace
To us and all men bring,
To see the vision of thy face
In joy, O Christ, our King.

489

S. J. Stone, 1839–1900.

THE Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is his new creation
By water and the Word:
From heaven he came and sought her
To be his holy Bride,
With his own Blood he bought her,
And for her life he died.

2 Elect from every nation,
  Yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation
  One Lord, one Faith, one Birth;
One holy name she blesses,
  Partakes one holy Food,
And to one hope she presses
  With every grace endued.

3* Though with a scornful wonder
  Men see her sore opprest,
By schisms rent asunder,
  By heresies distrest,
Yet Saints their watch are keeping,
  Their cry goes up, 'How long?'
And soon the night of weeping
  Shall be the morn of song.

4 'Mid toil, and tribulation,
  And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation
  Of peace for evermore;
Till with the vision glorious
  Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious
  Shall be the Church at rest.

5. Yet she on earth hath union
  With God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
  With those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy!
  Lord, give us grace that we
Like them, the meek and lowly,
  On high may dwell with thee.

490 *Ps.* 23. *Sir H. W. Baker*, 1821-77.

THE King of love my Shepherd is,
  Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his
  And he is mine for ever.

2 Where streams of living water flow
My ransomed soul he leadeth,
And where the verdant pastures grow
With food celestial feedeth.

3 Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
But yet in love he sought me,
And on his shoulder gently laid,
And home, rejoicing, brought me.

4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill
With thee, dear Lord, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy Cross before to guide me.

5 Thou spread'st a table in my sight;
Thy unction grace bestoweth:
And O what transport of delight
From thy pure chalice floweth!

6. And so through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
Within thy house for ever.

491 *Ps.* 23. *J. Addison*, 1672–1719.

THE Lord my pasture shall prepare,
And feed me with a shepherd's care;
His presence shall my wants supply,
And guard me with a watchful eye;
My noonday walks he shall attend,
And all my midnight hours defend.

2 When in the sultry glebe I faint,
Or on the thirsty mountain pant,
To fertile vales and dewy meads
My weary wandering steps he leads,
Where peaceful rivers, soft and slow,
Amid the verdant landscape flow.

3 Though in a bare and rugged way
Through devious lonely wilds I stray,

Thy bounty shall my pains beguile;
The barren wilderness shall smile
With sudden greens and herbage crowned,
And streams shall murmur all around.

4. Though in the paths of death I tread,
With gloomy horrors overspread,
My steadfast heart shall fear no ill,
For thou, O Lord, art with me still:
Thy friendly crook shall give me aid,
And guide me through the dreadful shade.

492 *Ps.* 85–6. *J. Milton* (*cento*), 1608–74.

THE Lord will come and not be slow,
His footsteps cannot err;
Before him righteousness shall go,
His royal harbinger.

2 Truth from the earth, like to a flower,
Shall bud and blossom then;
And justice, from her heavenly bower,
Look down on mortal men.

3 Rise, God, judge thou the earth in might,
This wicked earth redress;
For thou art he who shalt by right
The nations all possess.

4 The nations all whom thou hast made
Shall come, and all shall frame
To bow them low before thee, Lord,
And glorify thy name.

5. For great thou art, and wonders great
By thy strong hand are done:
Thou in thy everlasting seat
Remainest God alone.

493 *Mrs. C. F. Alexander*, 1823–95.

THE roseate hues of early dawn,
The brightness of the day,
The crimson of the sunset sky,
How fast they fade away!

O for the pearly gates of heaven,
O for the golden floor;
O for the Sun of righteousness
That setteth nevermore!

2 The highest hopes we cherish here,
How fast they tire and faint;
How many a spot defiles the robe
That wraps an earthly saint!
O for a heart that never sins,
O for a soul washed white;
O for a voice to praise our King,
Nor weary day or night!

3. Here faith is ours, and heavenly hope,
And grace to lead us higher;
But there are perfectness and peace,
Beyond our best desire.
O by thy love and anguish, Lord,
O by thy life laid down,
O that we fall not from thy grace,
Nor cast away our crown!

494 *The Alleluyatic Sequence.* *B. Notker*, 840–912.
Tr. J. M. Neale.

Cantemus cuncti melodum.

THE strain upraise of joy and praise,
Alleluya!
To the glory of their King
Shall the ransomed people sing Alleluya!
And the choirs that dwell on high
Shall re-echo through the sky, Alleluya!

2 They, through the fields of Paradise that roam,
The blessèd ones, repeat through that bright home
Alleluya!
The planets glittering on their heavenly way,
The shining constellations, join and say
Alleluya!

3 Ye clouds that onward sweep,
Ye winds on pinions light,
Ye thunders, echoing loud and deep,
Ye lightnings, wildly bright,
In sweet consent unite your Alleluya!

4 Ye floods and ocean billows,
Ye storms and winter snow,
Ye days of cloudless beauty,
Hoar frost and summer glow,
Ye groves that wave in spring,
And glorious forests, sing Alleluya!

5 First let the birds, with painted plumage gay,
Exalt their great Creator's praise, and say
Alleluya!
Then let the beasts of earth, with varying strain,
Join in creation's hymn, and cry again
Alleluya!

6 Here let the mountains thunder forth sonorous
Alleluya!
There let the valleys sing in gentler chorus
Alleluya!
Thou jubilant abyss of ocean, cry Alleluya!
Ye tracts of earth and continents, reply
Alleluya!

7 To God, who all creation made,
The frequent hymn be duly paid, Alleluya!
This is the strain, the eternal strain, the Lord of
all things loves, Alleluya!
This is the song, the heavenly song, that Christ
himself approves, Alleluya!
Wherefore we sing, both heart and voice awaking,
Alleluya!
And children's voices echo, answer making,
Alleluya!

8. Now from all men be outpoured
Alleluya to the Lord;

With Alleluya evermore
The Son and Spirit we adore.
Praise be done to the Three in One.
Alleluya! Alleluya! Alleluya!

495 (*Nos.* 371, 392, 412 *are from the same source.*)
Bernard of Cluny, 12*th cent.* *Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Hora novissima.

THE world is very evil;
The times are waxing late;
Be sober and keep vigil,
The Judge is at the gate:
The Judge that comes in mercy,
The Judge that comes with might,
To terminate the evil,
To diadem the right.

2 Arise, arise, good Christian,
Let right to wrong succeed;
Let penitential sorrow
To heavenly gladness lead.
Then glory yet unheard of
Shall shed abroad its ray,
Resolving all enigmas,
An endless Sabbath-day.

3 The home of fadeless splendour,
Of flowers that fear no thorn,
Where they shall dwell as children
Who here as exiles mourn;
The peace of all the faithful,
The calm of all the blest,
Inviolate, unvaried,
Divinest, sweetest, best;

4 The peace that is for heaven,
And shall be too for earth;
The palace that re-echoes
With festal song and mirth;

The garden breathing spices,
The paradise on high;
Grace beautified to glory,
Unceasing minstrelsy.

5 O happy, holy portion,
Refection for the blest;
True vision of true beauty,
Sweet cure of all distrest!
Strive, man, to win that glory;
Toil, man, to gain that light;
Send hope before to grasp it,
Till hope be lost in sight;

6. And through the sacred lilies
And flowers on every side,
The happy dear-bought people
Go wandering far and wide;
Their one and only anthem,
The fullness of his love,
Who gives, instead of torment,
Eternal joys above.

496

Sir H. W. Baker, 1821–77.

THERE is a blessèd home
Beyond this land of woe,
Where trials never come,
Nor tears of sorrow flow;
Where faith is lost in sight,
And patient hope is crowned,
And everlasting light
Its glory throws around.

2 There is a land of peace,
Good Angels know it well,
Glad songs that never cease
Within its portals swell;

Around its glorious throne
Ten thousand Saints adore
Christ, with the Father One
And Spirit, evermore.

3* O joy all joys beyond,
To see the Lamb who died,
And count each sacred wound
In hands, and feet, and side;
To give to him the praise
Of every triumph won,
And sing through endless days
The great things he hath done.

4. Look up, ye saints of God,
Nor fear to tread below
The path your Saviour trod
Of daily toil and woe;
Wait but a little while
In uncomplaining love,
His own most gracious smile
Shall welcome you above.

497

J. Keble, 1792–1866.

THERE is a book who runs may read,
Which heavenly truth imparts,
And all the lore its scholars need,
Pure eyes and Christian hearts.

2 The works of God above, below,
Within us and around,
Are pages in that book, to show
How God himself is found.

3 The glorious sky, embracing all,
Is like the Maker's love,
Wherewith encompassed, great and small
In peace and order move.

4 The moon above, the Church below,
A wondrous race they run;
But all their radiance, all their glow,
Each borrows of its sun.

5* The Saviour lends the light and heat
That crowns his holy hill;
The Saints, like stars, around his seat
Perform their courses still.

6* The Saints above are stars in heaven—
What are the saints on earth?
Like trees they stand whom God has given,
Our Eden's happy birth.

7* Faith is their fixed unswerving root,
Hope their unfading flower,
Fair deeds of charity their fruit,
The glory of their bower.

8* The dew of heaven is like thy grace,
It steals in silence down;
But where it lights, the favoured place
By richest fruits is known.

9* One name, above all glorious names,
With its ten thousand tongues
The everlasting sea proclaims,
Echoing angelic songs.

10 The raging fire, the roaring wind,
Thy boundless power display;
But in the gentler breeze we find
Thy Spirit's viewless way.

11 Two worlds are ours: 'tis only sin
Forbids us to descry
The mystic heaven and earth within,
Plain as the sea and sky.

12. Thou, who hast given me eyes to see
And love this sight so fair,
Give me a heart to find out thee,
And read thee everywhere.

498

I. Watts, 1674–1748.

THERE is a land of pure delight,
Where Saints immortal reign;
Infinite day excludes the night,
And pleasures banish pain.

2 There everlasting spring abides,
And never-withering flowers;
Death, like a narrow sea, divides
This heavenly land from ours.

3 Sweet fields beyond the swelling flood
Stand dressed in living green;
So to the Jews old Canaan stood,
While Jordan rolled between.

4 But timorous mortals start and shrink
To cross this narrow sea,
And linger shivering on the brink,
And fear to launch away.

5 O could we make our doubts remove,
These gloomy doubts that rise,
And see the Canaan that we love
With unbeclouded eyes!

6. Could we but climb where Moses stood,
And view the landscape o'er,
Not Jordan's stream, nor death's cold flood,
Should fright us from the shore!

499

F. W. Faber, 1814–63.

THERE'S a wideness in God's mercy,
Like the wideness of the sea;
There's a kindness in his justice,
Which is more than liberty.

2 There is no place where earth's sorrows
Are more felt than up in heaven;
There is no place where earth's failings
Have such kindly judgement given.

3 There is grace enough for thousands
Of new worlds as great as this;
There is room for fresh creations
In that upper home of bliss.

4 For the love of God is broader
Than the measures of man's mind;
And the heart of the Eternal
Is most wonderfully kind.

5 But we make his love too narrow
By false limits of our own;
And we magnify his strictness
With a zeal he will not own.

6* There is plentiful redemption
In the Blood that has been shed,
There is joy for all the members
In the sorrows of the Head.

7* 'Tis not all we owe to Jesus;
It is something more than all;
Greater good because of evil,
Larger mercy through the fall.

8. If our love were but more simple,
We should take him at his word;
And our lives would be all sunshine
In the sweetness of our Lord.

500

J. M. Neale, 1818–66, *and others.*

THEY whose course on earth is o'er,
Think they of their brethren more?
They before the throne who bow,
Feel they for their brethren now?

2 We, by enemies distrest—
They in Paradise at rest;
We the captives—they the freed—
We and they are one indeed;

3 One in all we seek or shun,
One—because our Lord is one;
One in home and one in love—
We below, and they above.

4 Those whom space on earth divides,
Mountains, rivers, ocean-tides;
Have they with each other part?
Have they fellowship in heart?

5 Each to each may be unknown,
Wide apart their lots be thrown;
Differing tongues their lips may speak,
One be strong, and one be weak;

6 Yet in Sacrament and prayer
Each with other hath a share;
Hath a share in tear and sigh,
Watch, and fast and litany.

7 Saints departed even thus
Hold communion still with us;
Still with us, beyond the veil,
Praising, pleading without fail.

8. So with them our hearts we raise,
Share their work and join their praise,
Rendering worship, thanks, and love
To the Trinity above.

501 *G. Rorison*, 1821–69.

THREE in One, and One in Three,
Ruler of the earth and sea,
Hear us, while we lift to thee
Holy chant and psalm.

2 Light of lights! with morning-shine
Lift on us thy Light Divine;
And let charity benign
Breathe on us her balm.

3 Light of lights! when falls the even,
Let it sink on sin forgiven;
Fold us in the peace of heaven;
Shed a vesper calm.

4. Three in One, and One in Three,
Darkling here we worship thee;
With the Saints hereafter we
Hope to bear the palm.

502 *Ps.* 34. *N. Tate and N. Brady, New Version* (1696).

THROUGH all the changing scenes of life,
In trouble and in joy,
The praises of my God shall still
My heart and tongue employ.

2 O magnify the Lord with me,
With me exalt his name;
When in distress to him I called,
He to my rescue came.

3 The hosts of God encamped around
The dwellings of the just;
Deliverance he affords to all
Who on his succour trust.

4 O make but trial of his love,
Experience will decide
How blest they are, and only they,
Who in his truth confide.

5 Fear him, ye saints, and you will then
Have nothing else to fear;
Make you his service your delight,
Your wants shall be his care.

6. To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore. Amen.

503 *B. S. Ingemann*, 1789–1862. *Tr. S. Baring-Gould.*

Igjennem Nat og Trængsel.

THROUGH the night of doubt and sorrow
Onward goes the pilgrim band,
Singing songs of expectation,
Marching to the Promised Land.

2 Clear before us through the darkness
Gleams and burns the guiding light;
Brother clasps the hand of brother,
Stepping fearless through the night.

3 One the light of God's own presence
O'er his ransomed people shed,
Chasing far the gloom and terror,
Brightening all the path we tread;

4 One the object of our journey,
One the faith which never tires,
One the earnest looking forward,
One the hope our God inspires:

5* One the strain that lips of thousands
Lift as from the heart of one;
One the conflict, one the peril,
One the march in God begun;

6* One the gladness of rejoicing
On the far eternal shore,
Where the One Almighty Father
Reigns in love for evermore.

Part 2.

7* Onward, therefore, pilgrim brothers,
Onward with the Cross our aid;
Bear its shame, and fight its battle,
Till we rest beneath its shade.

8.* Soon shall come the great awaking,
Soon the rending of the tomb;
Then the scattering of all shadows,
And the end of toil and gloom.

504

F. L. Hosmer, 1840–1929.

THY kingdom come! on bended knee
The passing ages pray;
And faithful souls have yearned to see
On earth that kingdom's day.

2 But the slow watches of the night
Not less to God belong;
And for the everlasting right
The silent stars are strong.

3 And lo, already on the hills
The flags of dawn appear;
Gird up your loins, ye prophet souls,
Proclaim the day is near:

4 The day in whose clear-shining light
All wrong shall stand revealed,
When justice shall be throned in might,
And every hurt be healed;

5. When knowledge, hand in hand with peace,
Shall walk the earth abroad;—
The day of perfect righteousness,
The promised day of God.

505

H. Bonar, 1808–89.

THY way, not mine, O Lord,
However dark it be;
Lead me by thine own hand,
Choose out the path for me.

2 Smooth let it be or rough,
It will be still the best;
Winding or straight, it leads
Right onward to thy rest.

3 I dare not choose my lot;
I would not if I might;
Choose thou for me, my God,
So shall I walk aright.

4 The kingdom that I seek
Is thine, so let the way
That leads to it be thine,
Else I must surely stray.

5 Take thou my cup, and it
With joy or sorrow fill,
As best to thee may seem;
Choose thou my good and ill.

6 Choose thou for me my friends,
My sickness or my health;
Choose thou my cares for me,
My poverty or wealth.

7. Not mine, not mine, the choice
In things or great or small;
Be thou my Guide, my Strength,
My Wisdom, and my All.

506

William Blake, 1757-1827.

TO Mercy, Pity, Peace, and Love,
All pray in their distress,
And to these virtues of delight
Return their thankfulness.

2 For Mercy, Pity, Peace, and Love,
Is God our Father dear;
And Mercy, Pity, Peace, and Love,
Is Man, his child and care.

3 For Mercy has a human heart,
Pity, a human face;
And Love, the human form divine,
And Peace, the human dress.

4 Then every man, of every clime,
That prays in his distress,
Prays to the human form divine:
Love, Mercy, Pity, Peace.

5*. And all must love the human form,
In heathen, Turk, or Jew;
Where Mercy, Love, and Pity dwell,
There God is dwelling too.

507 *c. 15th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.*

Gloriosi Salvatoris.

TO the name that brings salvation
Honour, worship, laud we pay:
That for many a generation
Hid in God's foreknowledge lay,
But to every tongue and nation
Holy Church proclaims to-day.

2* Name of gladness, name of pleasure,
By the tongue ineffable,
Name of sweetness passing measure,
To the ear delectable;
'Tis our safeguard and our treasure,
'Tis our help 'gainst sin and hell.

3* 'Tis the name for adoration,
'Tis the name of victory;
'Tis the name for meditation
In the vale of misery:
'Tis the name for veneration
By the citizens on high.

4 'Tis the name that whoso preaches
Finds it music in his ear;
'Tis the name that whoso teaches
Finds more sweet than honey's cheer:
Who its perfect wisdom reaches
Makes his ghostly vision clear.

5 'Tis the name by right exalted
Over every other name:
That when we are sore assaulted
Puts our enemies to shame:
Strength to them that else had halted,
Eyes to blind, and feet to lame.

6. Jesu, we thy name adoring,
Long to see thee as thou art:
Of thy clemency imploring
So to write it in our heart,
That hereafter, upward soaring,
We with Angels may have part.

508 *W. Bullock*, 1798–1874, *and Sir H. W. Baker.*

WE love the place, O God,
Wherein thine honour dwells;
The joy of thine abode
All earthly joy excels.

2 We love the house of prayer,
Wherein thy servants meet;
And thou, O Lord, art there
Thy chosen flock to greet.

3 We love the sacred font,
For there the holy Dove
To pour is ever wont
His blessing from above.

4 We love thine altar, Lord;
O, what on earth so dear!
For there, in faith adored,
We find thy presence near.

5 We love the word of life,
The word that tells of peace,
Of comfort in the strife,
And joys that never cease.

6 We love to sing below
For mercies freely given;
But O, we long to know
The triumph-song of heaven!

7. Lord Jesus, give us grace
On earth to love thee more,
In heaven to see thy face,
And with thy Saints adore.

509 *Mrs. A. Richter* (1834), *J. H. Gurney* (1851), *and others.*

WE saw thee not when thou didst come
To this poor world of sin and death,
Nor e'er beheld thy cottage-home
In that despisèd Nazareth;
But we believe thy footsteps trod
Its streets and plains, thou Son of God.

2 We did not see thee lifted high
Amid that wild and savage crew,
Nor heard thy meek, imploring cry,
'Forgive, they know not what they do';
Yet we believe the deed was done
Which shook the earth and veiled the sun.

3 We stood not by the empty tomb
Where late thy sacred Body lay,
Nor sat within that upper room,
Nor met thee in the open way;
But we believe that Angels said,
'Why seek the living with the dead?'

4 We did not mark the chosen few,
When thou didst in the cloud ascend,
First lift to heaven their wondering view,
Then to the earth all prostrate bend;
Yet we believe that mortal eyes
From that far mountain saw thee rise.

5. And now that thou dost reign on high,
And thence thy waiting people bless,
No ray of glory from the sky
Doth shine upon our wilderness;
But we believe thy faithful word,
And trust in our redeeming Lord.

510 *T. Kelly*, 1769–1854.

WE sing the praise of him who died,
Of him who died upon the Cross;
The sinner's hope let men deride,
For this we count the world but loss.

2 Inscribed upon the Cross we see
In shining letters, 'God is Love';
He bears our sins upon the Tree;
He brings us mercy from above.

3 The Cross! it takes our guilt away;
It holds the fainting spirit up;
It cheers with hope the gloomy day,
And sweetens ev'ry bitter cup.

4 It makes the coward spirit brave,
And nerves the feeble arm for fight;
It takes its terror from the grave,
And gilds the bed of death with light;

5. The balm of life, the cure of woe,
The measure and the pledge of love,
The sinners' refuge here below,
The Angels' theme in heaven above.

511

J. Addison, 1672-1719.

WHEN all thy mercies, O my God,
My rising soul surveys,
Transported with the view, I'm lost
In wonder, love, and praise.

2 Unnumbered comforts to my soul
Thy tender care bestowed,
Before my infant heart conceived
From whom those comforts flowed.

3 When in the slippery paths of youth
With heedless steps I ran,
Thine arm unseen conveyed me safe,
And led me up to man.

4 When worn with sickness oft hast thou
With health renewed my face;
And when in sins and sorrows sunk,
Revived my soul with grace.

5 Through every period of my life
Thy goodness I'll pursue,
And after death in distant worlds
The glorious theme renew.

6. Through all eternity to thee
A joyful song I'll raise;
For O! eternity's too short
To utter all thy praise.

512

19th cent. Tr. E. Caswall.

Beim frühen Morgenlicht.

WHEN morning gilds the skies,
My heart awaking cries,
May Jesus Christ be praisèd:
Alike at work and prayer
To Jesus I repair;
May Jesus Christ be praisèd.

2 The sacred minster bell
It peals o'er hill and dell,
May Jesus Christ be praisèd:
O hark to what it sings,
As joyously it rings,
May Jesus Christ be praisèd.

3* My tongue shall never tire
Of chanting in the choir,
May Jesus Christ be praisèd:
The fairest graces spring
In hearts that ever sing,
May Jesus Christ be praisèd.

4* When sleep her balm denies,
My silent spirit sighs,
May Jesus Christ be praisèd:
When evil thoughts molest,
With this I shield my breast,
May Jesus Christ be praisèd.

5*Does sadness fill my mind?
A solace here I find,
May Jesus Christ be praisèd:
Or fades my earthly bliss?
My comfort still is this,
May Jesus Christ be praisèd.

6*The night becomes as day,
When from the heart we say,
May Jesus Christ be praisèd:
The powers of darkness fear,
When this sweet chant they hear,
May Jesus Christ be praisèd.

7 In heaven's eternal bliss
The loveliest strain is this,
May Jesus Christ be praisèd:
Let air, and sea, and sky
From depth to height reply,
May Jesus Christ be praisèd.

8. Be this, while life is mine,
My canticle divine,
May Jesus Christ be praisèd:
Be this the eternal song
Through all the ages on,
May Jesus Christ be praisèd.

513

H. H. Milman, 1791-1868.

WHEN our heads are bowed with woe,
When our bitter tears o'erflow,
When we mourn the lost, the dear,
Gracious Son of Mary, hear.

2 Thou our throbbing flesh hast worn,
Thou our mortal griefs hast borne,
Thou hast shed the human tear;
Gracious Son of Mary, hear.

3 When the sullen death-bell tolls
For our own departed souls,
When our final doom is near,
Gracious Son of Mary, hear.

4 Thou hast bowed the dying head,
Thou the blood of life hast shed,
Thou hast filled a mortal bier;
Gracious Son of Mary, hear.

5 When the heart is sad within
With the thought of all its sin,
When the spirit shrinks with fear,
Gracious Son of Mary, hear.

6. Thou the shame, the grief, hast known,
Though the sins were not thine own;
Thou hast deigned their load to bear;
Gracious Son of Mary, hear.

514

Bishop W. W. How, 1823–97.

WHO is this so weak and helpless,
Child of lowly Hebrew maid,
Rudely in a stable sheltered,
Coldly in a manger laid?
'Tis the Lord of all creation,
Who this wondrous path hath trod;
He is God from everlasting,
And to everlasting God.

2 Who is this—a Man of Sorrows,
Walking sadly life's hard way,
Homeless, weary, sighing, weeping
Over sin and Satan's sway?
'Tis our God, our glorious Saviour,
Who above the starry sky
Now for us a place prepareth
Where no tear can dim the eye.

3 Who is this—behold Him raining
Drops of blood upon the ground?
Who is this—despised, rejected,
Mocked, insulted, beaten, bound?
'Tis our God, who gifts and graces
On his Church now poureth down;
Who shall smite in holy vengeance
All his foes beneath his throne.

4. Who is this that hangeth dying,
With the thieves on either side?
Nails his hands and feet are tearing,
And the spear hath pierced his side.
'Tis the God who ever liveth
'Mid the shining ones on high,
In the glorious golden city
Reigning everlastingly.

515

John Donne†, 1573–1631.

WILT thou forgive that sin, by man begun,
Which was my sin though it were done before?
Wilt thou forgive that sin, through which I run,
And do run still, though still I do deplore?
When thou hast done, thou hast not done,
For I have more.

2 Wilt thou forgive that sin which I have won
Others to sin, and made my sin their door?
Wilt thou forgive that sin which I did shun
A year or two, but wallowed in a score?
When thou hast done, thou hast not done,
For I have more.

3. I have a sin of fear, that when I've spun
My last thread, I shall perish on the shore;
But swear by thyself, that at my death thy Son
Shall shine, as he shines now and heretofore:
And, having done that, thou hast done:
I fear no more.

516 *G. Thring*, 1823–1903.

WORK is sweet, for God has blest
Honest work with quiet rest;
Rest below, and rest above,
In the mansions of his love,
When the work of life is done,
When the battle's fought and won.

2 Work ye, then, while yet 'tis day,
Work, ye Christians, while ye may;
Work for all that's great and good,
Working for your daily food,
Working whilst the golden hours,
Health, and strength, and youth, are yours.

3 Working not alone for gold,
Not for work that's bought and sold;
Not the work that worketh strife,
But the working of a life;
Careless both of good or ill,
If ye can but do his will.

4. Working ere the day is gone,
Working till your work is done;
Not as traffickers at marts,
But as fitteth honest hearts;
Working till your spirits rest
With the spirits of the blest.

517 *R. Baxter*, 1681; *and J. H. Gurney*, 1838 *and* 1851.

YE holy Angels bright,
Who wait at God's right hand,
Or through the realms of light
Fly at your Lord's command,
Assist our song,
For else the theme
Too high doth seem
For mortal tongue.

2 Ye blessèd souls at rest,
Who ran this earthly race,
And now, from sin released,
Behold the Saviour's face,
God's praises sound,
As in his sight
With sweet delight
Ye do abound.

3 Ye saints, who toil below,
Adore your heavenly King,
And onward as ye go
Some joyful anthem sing;
Take what he gives
And praise him still,
Through good or ill,
Who ever lives!

4. My soul, bear thou thy part,
Triumph in God above:
And with a well-tuned heart
Sing thou the songs of love!
Let all thy days
Till life shall end,
Whate'er he send,
Be filled with praise.

518

P. Doddridge †, 1702–51.

YE servants of the Lord,
Each in his office wait,
Observant of his heavenly word,
And watchful at his gate.

2 Let all your lamps be bright,
And trim the golden flame;
Gird up your loins as in his sight,
For awful is his name.

3 Watch! 'tis your Lord's command,
And while we speak, he 's near;

Mark the first signal of his hand,
And ready all appear.

4 O, happy servant he,
In such a posture found!
He shall his Lord with rapture see,
And be with honour crowned.

5. Christ shall the banquet spread
With his own royal hand,
And raise that faithful servant's head
Amidst the angelic band.

519

A. R.

YE watchers and ye holy ones,
Bright Seraphs, Cherubim and Thrones,
Raise the glad strain, Alleluya!
Cry out Dominions, Princedoms, Powers,
Virtues, Archangels, Angels' choirs,
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya!

2 O higher than the Cherubim,
More glorious than the Seraphim,
Lead their praises, Alleluya!
Thou Bearer of the eternal Word,
Most gracious, magnify the Lord,
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya!

3 Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
Ye Patriarchs and Prophets blest,
Alleluya, Alleluya!
Ye holy Twelve, ye Martyrs strong,
All Saints triumphant, raise the song
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya!

4. O friends, in gladness let us sing,
Supernal anthems echoing,
Alleluya, Alleluya!
To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One,
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya!

Part VI.

SPECIAL OCCASIONS.

FOR ABSENT FRIENDS.

520 *Isabella S. Stevenson,* 1843-90.

HOLY Father, in thy mercy,
Hear our anxious prayer,
Keep our loved ones, now far distant,
'Neath thy care.

2 Jesus, Saviour, let thy presence
Be their light and guide;
Keep, O, keep them, in their weakness,
At thy side.

3 When in sorrow, when in danger,
When in loneliness,
In thy love look down and comfort
Their distress.

4 May the joy of thy salvation
Be their strength and stay;
May they love and may they praise thee
Day by day.

5 Holy Spirit, let thy teaching
Sanctify their life;
Send thy grace, that they may conquer
In the strife.

6. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
God the One in Three,
Bless them, guide them, save them, keep them
Near to thee.

521 *Bishop Chr. Wordsworth*, 1807–85.

O LORD of heaven, and earth, and sea,
To thee all praise and glory be;
How shall we show our love to thee,
Giver of all?

2 The golden sunshine, vernal air,
Sweet flowers and fruits, thy love declare;
Where harvests ripen, thou art there,
Giver of all!

3 For peaceful homes, and healthful days,
For all the blessings earth displays,
We owe thee thankfulness and praise,
Giver of all!

4 Thou didst not spare thine only Son,
But gav'st him for a world undone,
And freely with that Blessèd One
Thou givest all.

5 Thou giv'st the Spirit's blessèd dower,
Spirit of life, and love, and power,
And dost his sevenfold graces shower
Upon us all.

6 For souls redeemed, for sins forgiven,
For means of grace and hopes of heaven,
Father, what can to thee be given,
Who givest all?

7 We lose what on ourselves we spend,
We have as treasure without end
Whatever, Lord, to thee we lend,
Who givest all;

8. To thee, from whom we all derive
Our life, our gifts, our power to give:
O may we ever with thee live,
Giver of all!

522 *Bishop W. W. How*, 1823–97.

WE give thee but thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be:
All that we have is thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from thee.

2 May we thy bounties thus
As stewards true receive,
And gladly, as thou blessest us,
To thee our first-fruits give.

3 O hearts are bruised and dead;
And homes are bare and cold;
And lambs, for whom the Shepherd bled,
Are straying from the fold.

4 To comfort and to bless,
To find a balm for woe,
To tend the lone and fatherless,
Is Angels' work below.

5 The captive to release,
To God the lost to bring,
To teach the way of life and peace,—
It is a Christlike thing.

6. And we believe thy word,
Though dim our faith may be;
Whate'er for thine we do, O Lord,
We do it unto thee.

The following are also suitable:

309 For the beauty of the earth.
529 Son of God, eternal Saviour.

BEGINNING AND END OF TERM.

523 *H. J. Buckoll*, 1803–71.

LORD, behold us with thy blessing,
Once again assembled here;
Onward be our footsteps pressing,
In thy love and faith and fear:
Still protect us
By thy presence ever near.

2 For thy mercy we adore thee,
For this rest upon our way;
Lord, again we bow before thee,
Speed our labours day by day:
Mind and spirit
With thy choicest gifts array.

Part 2.

3 Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing;
Thanks for mercies past receive;
Pardon all, their faults confessing;
Time that's lost may all retrieve:
May thy children
Ne'er again thy Spirit grieve.

4. Let thy Father-hand be shielding
All who here shall meet no more;
May their seed-time past be yielding
Year by year a richer store:
Those returning
Make more faithful than before.

AT A FAREWELL.

524 *J. E. Rankin*, 1828–1904.

GOD be with you till we meet again;
By his counsels guide, uphold you,
With his sheep securely fold you:
God be with you till we meet again.

2 God be with you till we meet again;
'Neath his wings protecting hide you,
Daily manna still provide you:
God be with you till we meet again.

3 God be with you till we meet again;
When life's perils thick confound you,
Put his arm unfailing round you:
God be with you till we meet again.

4. God be with you till we meet again;
Keep love's banner floating o'er you,
Smite death's threatening wave before you:
God be with you till we meet again.

HOSPITALS.

525 *Charles Kingsley*, 1819–75.

FROM thee all skill and science flow,
All pity, care, and love,
All calm and courage, faith and hope—
O, pour them from above!

2 And part them, Lord, to each and all,
As each and all shall need
To rise, like incense, each to thee,
In noble thought and deed.

3 And hasten, Lord, that perfect day
When pain and death shall cease,
And thy just rule shall fill the earth
With health, and light, and peace;

4. When ever blue the sky shall gleam,
And ever green the sod,
And man's rude work deface no more
The Paradise of God.

526 *E. H. Plumptre*, 1821–91.

THINE arm, O Lord, in days of old
Was strong to heal and save;
It triumphed o'er disease and death,
O'er darkness and the grave;

To thee they went, the blind, the dumb,
The palsied and the lame,
The leper with his tainted life,
The sick with fevered frame.

2 And lo! thy touch brought life and health,
Gave speech, and strength, and sight;
And youth renewed and frenzy calmed
Owned thee the Lord of light;
And now, O Lord, be near to bless,
Almighty as of yore,
In crowded street, by restless couch,
As by Gennesareth's shore.

3. Be thou our great deliverer still,
Thou Lord of life and death;
Restore and quicken, soothe and bless
With thine almighty breath;
To hands that work, and eyes that see,
Give wisdom's heavenly lore,
That whole and sick, and weak and strong,
May praise thee evermore.

527

G. Thring, 1823–1903.

THOU to whom the sick and dying
Ever came, nor came in vain,
Still with healing words replying
To the wearied cry of pain,
Hear us, Jesu, as we meet
Suppliants at thy mercy-seat.

2 Still the weary, sick, and dying
Need a brother's, sister's care;
On thy higher help relying
May we now their burden share,
Bringing all our offerings meet,
Suppliants at thy mercy-seat.

3 May each child of thine be willing,
Willing both in hand and heart,
All the law of love fulfilling,
Ever comfort to impart;
Ever bringing offerings meet,
Suppliant to thy mercy-seat.

4. So may sickness, sin, and sadness
To thy healing power yield,
Till the sick and sad, in gladness,
Rescued, ransomed, cleansèd, healed,
One in thee together meet,
Pardoned at thy judgement-seat.

The following are also suitable:
266 At even when the sun was set.
349 Thou, Lord, hast power to heal.
529 Son of God, eternal Saviour.

SOCIETIES: FRIENDLY.

528 *H. C. Shuttleworth*, 1850-1900.

FATHER of men, in whom are one
All humankind beneath thy sun,
Stablish our work in thee begun.
Except the house be built of thee,
In vain the builder's toil must be:
O strengthen our infirmity!

2 Man lives not for himself alone,
In others' good he finds his own,
Life's worth in fellowship is known.
We, friends and comrades on life's way,
Gather within these walls to pray:
Bless thou our fellowship to-day.

3 O Christ, our Elder Brother, who
By serving man God's will didst do,
Help us to serve our brethren too.
Guide us to seek the things above,
The base to shun, the pure approve,
To live by thy free law of love.

4. In all our work, in all our play,
Be with us, Lord, our Friend, our Stay;
Lead onward to the perfect day:
Then may we know, earth's lesson o'er,
With comrades missed or gone before,
Heaven's fellowship for evermore.

SOCIETIES: GENERAL.

529 *S. C. Lowry*, 1855–1932.

SON of God, eternal Saviour,
Source of life and truth and grace,
Son of Man, whose birth amongst us
Hallows all our human race,
Thou, our Head, who, throned in glory,
For thine own dost ever plead,
Fill us with thy love and pity,
Heal our wrongs, and help our need.

2 As thou, Lord, hast lived for others,
So may we for others live;
Freely have thy gifts been granted,
Freely may thy servants give.
Thine the gold and thine the silver,
Thine the wealth of land and sea,
We but stewards of thy bounty,
Held in solemn trust for thee.

3 Come, O Christ, and reign among us,
King of love, and Prince of peace,
Hush the storm of strife and passion,
Bid its cruel discords cease;
By thy patient years of toiling,
By thy silent hours of pain,
Quench our fevered thirst of pleasure,
Shame our selfish greed of gain.

4 Dark the path that lies behind us,
Strewn with wrecks and stained with blood;
But before us gleams the vision
Of the coming brotherhood.

See the Christlike host advancing,
High and lowly, great and small,
Linked in bonds of common service
For the common Lord of all.

5. Son of God, eternal Saviour,
Source of life and truth and grace,
Son of Man, whose birth amongst us
Hallows all our human race,
Thou who prayedst, thou who willest
That thy people should be one,
Grant, O grant our hope's fruition:
Here on earth thy will be done.

The following are suitable for any gatherings of Unions and Societies:

45 Hail to the Lord's Anointed.
365 All people that on earth do dwell.
412 Jerusalem the golden.
423 Judge eternal, throned in splendour.
426 Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us.
448 O God of mercy, God of might.
458 O Lord of hosts, all heaven possessing.
475 Rejoice, O land, in God thy might.
483 Strong Son of God, immortal Love.
492 The Lord will come and not be slow.
516 Work is sweet, for God has blest.
531 Father, who on man.
544, 545 (The Church).
557–566 (National).

The following are suitable for Guilds, G. F. S. meetings, &c., in addition to 448 *and* 516 *above:*

370 Blest are the pure in heart.
398 Happy are they, they that love God.
452 O happy band of pilgrims.
453 O Holy Spirit, Lord of grace.
485 Teach me, my God and King.
544, 545 (The Church).
555 Dismiss me not thy service, Lord.

530 *Christian Burke.*

LORD of life and King of glory,
Who didst deign a child to be,
Cradled on a mother's bosom,
Throned upon a mother's knee:
For the children thou hast given
We must answer unto thee!

2 Since the day the blessèd Mother
Thee, the world's Redeemer, bore,
Thou hast crowned us with an honour
Women never knew before;
And that we may bear it meetly
We must seek thine aid the more.

3 Grant us, then, pure hearts and patient,
That in all we do or say
Little souls our deeds may copy,
And be never led astray;
Little feet our steps may follow
In a safe and narrow way.

4 When our growing sons and daughters
Look on life with eager eyes,
Grant us then a deeper insight
And new powers of sacrifice:
Hope to trust them, faith to guide them,
Love that nothing good denies.

5. May we keep our holy calling
Stainless in its fair renown,
That when all the work is over
And we lay the burden down,
Then the children thou hast given
Still may be our joy and crown!

SOCIETIES: FRIENDLY AND TEMPERANCE

531 *Percy Dearmer*, 1867–1936.

FATHER, who on man dost shower
Gifts of plenty from thy dower,
To thy people give the power
All thy gifts to use aright.

2 Give pure happiness in leisure,
Temperance in every pleasure,
Wholesome use of earthly treasure,
Bodies clear and spirits bright.

3 Lift from this and every nation
All that brings us degradation;
Quell the forces of temptation;
Put thine enemies to flight.

4 Be with us, thy strength supplying,
That with energy undying,
Every foe of man defying,
We may rally to the fight.

5 Thou who art our Captain ever
Lead us on to great endeavour;
May thy Church the world deliver,
Give us wisdom, courage, might.

6. Father, who hast sought and found us,
Son of God, whose love has bound us,
Holy Spirit, in us, round us,
Hear us, Godhead infinite. Amen.

The following are also suitable for Temperance Societies:

369 Be thou my Guardian and my Guide.
402 He who would valiant be.
423 Judge eternal, throned in splendour.
426 Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us.
447 O God of Bethel, by whose hand.
479 Soldiers of Christ, arise.
480 Soldiers, who are Christ's below.
529 Son of God, eternal Saviour.

532 *Ps.* 136. *J. Milton* ‡, 1608–74.

LET us, with a gladsome mind,
Praise the Lord, for he is kind:
For his mercies ay endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

2 Let us blaze his name abroad,
For of gods he is the God:

3 He with all-commanding might
Filled the new-made world with light:

4 He the golden-tressèd sun
Caused all day his course to run:

5 The hornèd moon to shine by night,
'Mid her spangled sisters bright:

6* He his chosen race did bless
In the wasteful wilderness:

7* He hath, with a piteous eye,
Looked upon our misery:

8 All things living he doth feed,
His full hand supplies their need:

9. Let us, with a gladsome mind,
Praise the Lord, for he is kind:

533 *M. Rinkart*, 1586–1649. *Tr. C. Winkworth.*

Nun danket alle Gott.

NOW thank we all our God,
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours to-day.

2 O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessèd peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

3. All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
The One eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore. Amen.

534 *Ps.* 148. *Thomas Browne Browne*, 1805–74.

Laudate Dominum.

PRAISE the Lord of heaven; praise him in the height;
Praise him, all ye Angels; praise him, stars and light;
Praise him, skies and waters, which above the skies,
When his word commanded, stablished did arise.

2 Praise the Lord, ye fountains of the deeps and seas,
Rocks and hills and mountains, cedars and all trees;
Praise him, clouds and vapours, snow and hail and fire,
Stormy wind fulfilling only his desire.

3. Praise him, fowls and cattle, princes and all kings;
Praise him, men and maidens, all created things;
For the name of God is excellent alone;
On the earth his footstool, over heaven his throne.

535 *Ps.* 148. *Foundling Hospital Coll.* (1796).

PRAISE the Lord! ye heavens, adore him;
Praise him, Angels, in the height;
Sun and moon, rejoice before him,
Praise him, all ye stars and light:
Praise the Lord! for he hath spoken,
Worlds his mighty voice obeyed;
Laws, which never shall be broken,
For their guidance hath he made.

2 Praise the Lord! for he is glorious;
Never shall his promise fail;
God hath made his Saints victorious,
Sin and death shall not prevail.
Praise the God of our salvation;
Hosts on high, his power proclaim;
Heaven and earth, and all creation,
Laud and magnify his name!

Part 2. *E. Osler*, 1798–1863.

3. Worship, honour, glory, blessing,
Lord, we offer to thy name;
Young and old, thy praise expressing,
Join their Saviour to proclaim.
As the Saints in heaven adore thee,
We would bow before thy throne;
As thine Angels serve before thee,
So on earth thy will be done.

536 *J. Neander*, 1650–80. *Tr. C. Winkworth and others.*

Lobe den Herren.

PRAISE to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:
Come ye who hear,
Brothers and sisters draw near,
Praise him in glad adoration.

2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth:
Hast thou not seen
All that is needful hath been
Granted in what he ordaineth?

3 Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work, and defend thee; [thee:
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend
Ponder anew
All the Almighty can do,
He who with love doth befriend thee.

Part 2.

4* Praise to the Lord, who, when tempests their warfare are waging, [raging,
Who, when the elements madly around thee are
Biddeth them cease,
Turneth their fury to peace,
Whirlwinds and waters assuaging.

5* Praise to the Lord, who when sickness with terror uniting,
Deaf to entreaties of mortals, its victims is smiting,
Pestilence quells,
Sickness and fever dispels,
Grateful thanksgiving inviting.

6* Praise to the Lord, who when darkness of sin is abounding,
Who, when the godless do triumph, all virtue confounding,
Sheddeth his light,
Chaseth the horrors of night,
Saints with his mercy surrounding.

Conclusion.

7. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him!
Let the amen
Sound from his people again:
Gladly for ay we adore him.

537 *Sir H. W. Baker*, 1821–77.

REJOICE to-day with one accord,
Sing out with exultation;
Rejoice and praise our mighty Lord,
Whose arm hath brought salvation.
His works of love proclaim
The greatness of his name;
For he is God alone,
Who hath his mercy shown:
Let all his Saints adore him!

2. When in distress to him we cried
He heard our sad complaining;
O trust in him, whate'er betide,
His love is all-sustaining.
Triumphant songs of praise
To him our hearts shall raise;
Now every voice shall say,
O praise our God alway:
Let all his Saints adore him!

The first verse may be repeated.

The following are sometimes suitable:

257 (11) Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
309 For the beauty of the earth.
380 Come, ye faithful, raise the anthem.
461 O praise our great and gracious Lord.
475 Rejoice, O land, in God thy might.
478 Sing praise to God who reigns above.

494 The strain upraise of joy and praise.
517 Ye holy Angels bright.
519 Ye watchers and ye holy ones.
559 God of our fathers, unto thee.
564 The King, O God, his heart to thee upraiseth.

IN TIME OF TROUBLE.

538 *F. L. Hosmer*, 1840–1929.

FATHER, to thee we look in all our sorrow,
Thou art the fountain whence our healing flows;
Dark though the night, joy cometh with the morrow;
Safely they rest who on thy love repose.

2 When fond hopes fail and skies are dark before us,
When the vain cares that vex our life increase,
Comes with its calm the thought that thou art o'er us,
And we grow quiet, folded in thy peace.

3 Nought shall affright us, on thy goodness leaning;
Low in the heart faith singeth still her song;
Chastened by pain we learn life's deeper meaning,
And in our weakness thou dost make us strong.

4. Patient, O heart, though heavy be thy sorrows;
Be not cast down, disquieted in vain;
Yet shalt thou praise him, when these darkened furrows,
Where now he plougheth, wave with golden grain.

The following are also suitable:

394 God moves in a mysterious way.
435 Lord of our life, and God of our salvation.
455 O let him whose sorrow.
482 Still will we trust.
513 When our heads are bowed with woe.
557 From foes that would the land devour.

539

A. C. Benson.

O LORD of hosts, who didst upraise
Strong captains to defend the right,
In darker years and sterner days,
And armedst Israel for the fight;
Thou madest Joshua true and strong,
And David framed the battle-song.

2 And must we battle yet? Must we,
Who bear the tender name Divine,
Still barter life for victory,
Still glory in the crimson sign?
The Crucified between us stands,
And lifts on high his wounded hands.

3 Lord, we are weak and wilful yet,
The fault is in our clouded eyes;
But thou, through anguish and regret,
Dost make thy faithless children wise:
Through wrong, through hate, thou dost approve
The far-off victories of love.

4 * And so, from out the heart of strife,
Diviner echoes peal and thrill;
The scorned delights, the lavished life,
The pain that serves a nation's will:
Thy comfort stills the mourner's cries,
And love is crowned by sacrifice.

5. As rains that weep the clouds away,
As winds that leave a calm in heaven,
So let the slayer cease to slay;—
The passion healed, the wrath forgiven,
Draw nearer, bid the tumult cease,
Redeemer, Saviour, Prince of Peace!

IN TIME OF ROUGH WEATHER.

540 *W. Whiting*, 1825–78.

ETERNAL Father, strong to save,
Whose arm doth bind the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.

2 O Saviour, whose almighty word
The winds and waves submissive heard,
Who walkedst on the foaming deep,
And calm amid its rage didst sleep:
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.

3 O sacred Spirit, who didst brood
Upon the chaos dark and rude,
Who bad'st its angry tumult cease,
And gavest light and life and peace:
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.

4. O Trinity of love and power,
Our brethren shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them wheresoe'er they go:
And ever let there rise to thee
Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

541 *G. Thring*, 1823–1903.

FIERCE raged the tempest o'er the deep,
Watch did thine anxious servants keep,
But thou wast wrapped in guileless sleep,
Calm and still.

2 'Save, Lord, we perish!' was their cry,
'O save us in our agony!'
Thy word above the storm rose high,
'Peace, be still.'

3 The wild winds hushed; the angry deep
Sank, like a little child, to sleep;
The sullen billows ceased to leap,
At thy will.

4. So, when our life is clouded o'er,
And storm-winds drift us from the shore,
Say, lest we sink to rise no more,
'Peace, be still.'

FOR USE AT SEA.

542 *J. Addison*‡, 1672-1719.

HOW are thy servants blest, O Lord!
How sure is their defence!
Eternal Wisdom is their guide,
Their help Omnipotence.

2 In foreign realms and lands remote,
Supported by thy care,
Through burning climes they pass unhurt,
And breathe in tainted air.

3 And though in dreadful whirls they hang
High on the broken wave,
They know thou art not slow to hear,
Nor impotent to save.

4 The storm is laid, the winds retire,
Obedient to thy will;
The sea, that roars at thy command,
At thy command is still.

5 In midst of dangers, fears, and death,
Thy goodness we'll adore;
And praise thee for thy mercies past,
And humbly hope for more.

6. Our life, while thou preserv'st that life,
Thy sacrifice shall be;
And death, when death shall be our lot,
Shall join our souls to thee.

543 *Percy Dearmer*, 1867–1936.

LORD, the wind and sea obey thee,
Moon and stars their homage pay thee;
Listen to us, as we pray thee,
Who on thee for all depend.

2 Bless all travellers and strangers,
Safely keep the ocean rangers,
Guide them in the midst of dangers:
All to thee we now commend.

3 Bless the friends we've left behind us;
Closer may our parting bind us:
May they dearer, better, find us,
When we reach our journey's end.

4 On our way, dear Lord, direct us;
Where we err do thou correct us;
From the powers of ill protect us,
From all perils us defend.

5 May we know thy presence o'er us,
See thy guiding hand before us,
Till thou safely dost restore us,
Love to love and friend to friend.

6. Holy God, in mercy bending,
Human souls with love befriending,
Fit us all for joy unending
When this earthly course doth end.

The following are also suitable:

388 Fierce was the wild billow.
394 God moves in a mysterious way.
501 Three in One, and One in Three.
520 Holy Father, in thy mercy.
536 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation. (*After a storm.*)

Also many of the Morning and Evening Hymns.

Part VII.

CHURCH AND PEOPLE.

THE CHURCH.

544 *T. A. Lacey*, 1853-1931.

O FAITH of England, taught of old
By faithful shepherds of the fold,
The hallowing of our nation;
Thou wast through many a wealthy year,
Through many a darkened day of fear,
The rock of our salvation.
Arise, arise, good Christian men,
Your glorious standard raise again,
The Cross of Christ who calls you;
Who bids you live and bids you die
For his great cause, and stands on high
To witness what befalls you.

2* Our fathers heard the trumpet call
Through lowly cot and kingly hall
From oversea resounding;
They bowed their stubborn wills to learn
The truths that live, the thoughts that burn,
With new resolve abounding.
Arise, arise, good Christian men,
Your glorious standard raise again,
The Cross of Christ who guides you;
Whose arm is bared to join the fray,
Who marshals you in stern array,
Fearless, whate'er betides you.

3 Our fathers held the faith received,
By Saints declared, by Saints believed,
By Saints in death defended;
Through pain of doubt and bitterness,
Through pain of treason and distress,
They for the right contended.

Arise, arise, good Christian men,
Your glorious standard raise again,
  The Cross of Christ who bought you;
Who leads you forth in this new age
With long-enduring hearts to wage
  The warfare he has taught you.

4.* Though frequent be the loud alarms,
Though still we march by ambushed arms
  Of death and hell surrounded,
With Christ for Chief we fear no foe,
Nor force nor craft can overthrow
  The Church that he has founded.
Arise, arise, good Christian men,
Your glorious standard raise again,
  The Cross wherewith he signed you;
The King himself shall lead you on,
Shall watch you till the strife be done,
  Then near his throne shall find you.

545

E. H. Plumptre, 1821–91.

THY hand, O God, has guided
  Thy flock, from age to age;
The wondrous tale is written,
  Full clear, on every page;
Our fathers owned thy goodness,
  And we their deeds record;
And both of this bear witness,
  One Church, one Faith, one Lord.

2 Thy heralds brought glad tidings
  To greatest, as to least;
They bade men rise, and hasten
  To share the great King's feast;
And this was all their teaching,
  In every deed and word,
To all alike proclaiming
  One Church, one Faith, one Lord.

3 Through many a day of darkness,
  Through many a scene of strife,
The faithful few fought bravely
  To guard the nation's life.
Their Gospel of redemption,
  Sin pardoned, man restored,
Was all in this enfolded,
  One Church, one Faith, one Lord.

4* And we, shall we be faithless?
  Shall hearts fail, hands hang down?
Shall we evade the confiict,
  And cast away our crown?
Not so: in God's deep counsels
  Some better thing is stored;
We will maintain, unflinching,
  One Church, one Faith, one Lord.

5. Thy mercy will not fail us,
  Nor leave thy work undone;
With thy right hand to help us,
  The victory shall be won;
And then, by men and angels,
  Thy name shall be adored,
And this shall be their anthem,
  One Church, one Faith, one Lord.

The following are also suitable:

362 A safe stronghold our God is still.
375 City of God, how broad and far.
384 Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round.
393 Glorious things of thee are spoken.
435 Lord of our life, and God of our salvation.
450 O God, our help in ages past.
458 O Lord of hosts, all heaven possessing.
464 O thou not made with hands.
472 Pray that Jerusalem may have.
488 The Church of God a kingdom is.

HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

546 *Foreign.* *Bishop G. W. Doane*, 1799–1859.

FLING out the banner! let it float
Skyward and seaward, high and wide,—
The sun that lights its shining folds,
The Cross on which the Saviour died.

2 Fling out the banner! angels bend
In anxious silence o'er the sign,
And vainly seek to comprehend
The wonders of the love divine.

3 Fling out the banner! heathen lands
Shall see from far the glorious sight,
And nations, crowding to be born,
Baptize their spirits in its light.

4 Fling out the banner! sin-sick souls
That sink and perish in the strife,
Shall touch in faith its radiant hem,
And spring immortal into life.

5 Fling out the banner! let it float
Skyward and seaward, high and wide,
Our glory only in the Cross,
Our only hope the Crucified.

6. Fling out the banner! wide and high,
Seaward and skyward let it shine;
Nor skill, nor might, nor merit ours:
We conquer only in that sign.

547 *Foreign.* *Bishop R. Heber*, 1783–1826.

FROM Greenland's icy mountains,
From India's coral strand,
Where Afric's sunny fountains
Roll down their golden sand;
From many an ancient river,
From many a palmy plain,
They call us to deliver
Their land from error's chain.

2 What though the spicy breezes
Blow soft o'er Java's isle,
Though every prospect pleases
And only man is vile:
In vain with lavish kindness
The gifts of God are strown,
The heathen in his blindness
Bows down to wood and stone!

3 Can we, whose souls are lighted
With wisdom from on high,
Can we to men benighted
The lamp of life deny?
Salvation! O, salvation!
The joyful sound proclaim,
Till each remotest nation
Has learned Messiah's name.

4. Waft, waft, ye winds, his story,
And you, ye waters, roll,
Till, like a sea of glory,
It spreads from pole to pole;
Till o'er our ransomed nature
The Lamb for sinners slain,
Redeemer, King, Creator,
In bliss returns to reign.

548 *Foreign.* *A. C. Ainger.*

GOD is working his purpose out as year succeeds to year,
God is working his purpose out and the time is drawing near;
Nearer and nearer draws the time, the time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.

2 From utmost east to utmost west where'er man's foot hath trod,
By the mouth of many messengers goes forth the voice of God,

'Give ear to me, ye continents, ye isles, give ear to me,
That the earth may be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.'

3 What can we do to work God's work, to prosper and increase
The brotherhood of all mankind, the reign of the Prince of peace?
What can we do to hasten the time, the time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea?

4 March we forth in the strength of God with the banner of Christ unfurled,
That the light of the glorious Gospel of truth may shine throughout the world;
Fight we the fight with sorrow and sin, to set their captives free,
That the earth may be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.

5. All we can do is nothing worth unless God blesses the deed;
Vainly we hope for the harvest-tide till God gives life to the seed;
Yet nearer and nearer draws the time, the time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.

549 *Foreign.* *J. Montgomery*, 1771–1854.

LIFT up your heads, ye gates of brass;
Ye bars of iron, yield,
And let the King of glory pass:
The Cross is in the field.

2 That banner, brighter than the star
That leads the train of night,
Shines on their march, and guides from far
His servants to the fight.

3 A holy war those servants wage;
Mysteriously at strife,
The powers of heaven and hell engage
For more than death or life.

4 Ye armies of the living God,
His sacramental host!
Where hallowed footsteps never trod,
Take your appointed post.

5 Though few and small and weak your bands,
Strong in your Captain's strength,
Go to the conquest of all lands,
All must be his at length.

6. Uplifted are the gates of brass,
The bars of iron yield;
Behold the King of glory pass;
The Cross hath won the field.

550 *Foreign.* *W. Cullen Bryant*, 1794–1878.

O NORTH, with all thy vales of green!
O South, with all thy palms!
From peopled towns and fields between
Uplift the voice of psalms.
Raise, ancient East, the anthem high,
And let the youthful West reply.

2 Lo! in the clouds of heaven appears
God's well-belovèd Son;
He brings a train of brighter years,
His kingdom is begun:
He comes a guilty world to bless
With mercy, truth and righteousness.

3 O Father, haste the promised hour
When at his feet shall lie
All rule, authority, and power
Beneath the ample sky :
When he shall reign from pole to pole,
The Lord of every human soul ;

4. When all shall heed the words he said,
Amid their daily cares,
And by the loving life he led
Shall strive to pattern theirs ;
And he, who conquered death, shall win
The mightier conquest over sin.

551 *Foreign.* *Bishop A. Cleveland Coxe*, 1818-86.

SAVIOUR, sprinkle many nations,
Fruitful let thy sorrows be ;
By thy pains and consolations
Draw the Gentiles unto thee :
Of thy Cross the wondrous story,
Be it to the nations told ;
Let them see thee in thy glory
And thy mercy manifold.

2 Far and wide, though all unknowing,
Pants for thee each mortal breast ;
Human tears for thee are flowing,
Human hearts in thee would rest ;
Thirsting, as for dews of even,
As the new-mown grass for rain,
Thee they seek, as God of heaven,
Thee, as Man, for sinners slain.

3. Saviour, lo ! the isles are waiting,
Stretched the hand, and strained the sight,
For thy Spirit new creating,
Love's pure flame and wisdom's light ;
Give the word, and of the preacher
Speed the foot and touch the tongue,
Till on earth by every creature
Glory to the Lamb be sung.

552 *Home or Foreign.* *J. F. Bahnmaier*, 1774–1841. *Tr. C. Winkworth.*

Walte fürder, nah und fern.

SPREAD, O spread, thou mighty word,
Spread the kingdom of the Lord,
Wheresoe'er his breath has given
Life to beings meant for heaven.

2 Tell them how the Father's will
Made the world, and keeps it still,
How he sent his Son to save
All who help and comfort crave.

3 Tell of our Redeemer's love,
Who for ever doth remove
By his holy sacrifice
All the guilt that on us lies.

4 Tell them of the Spirit given
Now to guide us up to heaven,
Strong and holy, just and true,
Working both to will and do.

5 Word of life, most pure and strong,
Lo! for thee the nations long;
Spread, till from its dreary night
All the world awakes to light.

6 Up! the ripening fields ye see,
Mighty shall the harvest be;
But the reapers still are few,
Great the work they have to do.

7. Lord of harvest, let there be
Joy and strength to work for thee,
Till the nations, far and near,
See thy light, and learn thy fear.

553 *Home or Foreign.* *J. Marriott* †, 1780–1825.

THOU whose almighty Word
Chaos and darkness heard,
And took their flight;

Hear us, we humbly pray,
And where the Gospel-day
Sheds not its glorious ray
Let there be light!

2 Thou who didst come to bring
On thy redeeming wing
Healing and sight,
Health to the sick in mind,
Sight to the inly blind,
Ah! now to all mankind
Let there be light!

3 Spirit of truth and love,
Life-giving, holy Dove,
Speed forth thy flight!
Move on the waters' face,
Bearing the lamp of grace,
And in earth's darkest place
Let there be light!

4. Blessèd and holy Three,
Glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, Love, Might;
Boundless as ocean tide
Rolling in fullest pride,
Through the world far and wide
Let there be light!

554 *Home or Foreign.* *L. Hensley*, 1827-1905.

THY kingdom come, O God,
Thy rule, O Christ, begin;
Break with thine iron rod
The tyrannies of sin.

2 Where is thy reign of peace,
And purity, and love?
When shall all hatred cease,
As in the realms above?

3 When comes the promised time
That war shall be no more,—
Oppression, lust, and crime
Shall flee thy face before?

4 We pray thee, Lord, arise,
And come in thy great might;
Revive our longing eyes,
Which languish for thy sight.

5* Men scorn thy sacred name,
And wolves devour thy fold;
By many deeds of shame
We learn that love grows cold.

6. O'er heathen lands afar
Thick darkness broodeth yet:
Arise, O morning Star,
Arise, and never set!

The following are also suitable:

Foreign Missions.

43 The race that long in darkness pined.
45 Hail to the Lord's Anointed.
420 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun.

Home Missions.

423 Judge eternal, throned in splendour.
448 O God of mercy, God of might.

Home or Foreign Missions.

126 A brighter dawn is breaking.
384 Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round.
395 God of mercy, God of grace.
492 The Lord will come and not be slow.
504 Thy kingdom come! on bended knee.
544, 545 (The Church).

CHURCH WORK.

555 *T. T. Lynch*, 1818-71.

DISMISS me not thy service, Lord,
But train me for thy will;
For even I, in fields so broad,
Some duties may fulfil;
And I will ask for no reward,
Except to serve thee still.

2 All works are good, and each is best
As most it pleases thee;
Each worker pleases, when the rest
He serves in charity;
And neither man nor work unblest
Wilt thou permit to be.

3. Our Master all the work hath done
He asks of us to-day;
Sharing his service, every one
Share too his Sonship may:
Lord, I would serve and be a son;
Dismiss me not, I pray.

556 *H. Bonar*, 1808-89.

GO, labour on; spend, and be spent,
Thy joy to do the Father's will;
It is the way the Master went;
Should not the servant tread it still?

2 Go, labour on; 'tis not for nought;
Thy earthly loss is heavenly gain;
Men heed thee, love thee, praise thee not:
The Master praises; what are men?

3 Toil on, faint not, keep watch and pray;
Be wise the erring soul to win;
Go forth into the world's highway,
Compel the wanderer to come in.

4. Toil on, and in thy toil rejoice;
For toil comes rest, for exile home;
Soon shalt thou hear the Bridegroom's voice,
The midnight peal, 'Behold, I come!'

The following are also suitable:

448 O God of mercy, God of might.
467 Oft in danger, oft in woe.
472 Pray that Jerusalem may have.
479 Soldiers of Christ, arise.
516 Work is sweet, for God has blest.
518 Ye servants of the Lord.

NATIONAL.

557 *Bishop R. Heber*, 1783–1826.

FROM foes that would the land devour;
From guilty pride and lust of power;
From wild sedition's lawless hour;
From yoke of slavery:

2 From blinded zeal by faction led;
From giddy change by fancy bred;
From poisonous error's serpent head,
Good Lord, preserve us free!

3. Defend, O God! with guardian hand,
The laws and ruler of our land,
And grant our Church thy grace to stand
In faith and unity!

558 *Rudyard Kipling.*

GOD of our fathers, known of old,
Lord of our far-flung battle-line,
Beneath whose awful hand we hold
Dominion over palm and pine—
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget—lest we forget!

2* The tumult and the shouting dies;
The captains and the kings depart:
Still stands thine ancient sacrifice,
An humble and a contrite heart.
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget—lest we forget!

3* Far-called, our navies melt away;
On dune and headland sinks the fire:
Lo, all our pomp of yesterday
Is one with Nineveh and Tyre!
Judge of the Nations, spare us yet,
Lest we forget—lest we forget!

4 If, drunk with sight of power, we loose
Wild tongues that have not thee in awe,
Such boastings as the Gentiles use,
Or lesser breeds without the Law—
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget—lest we forget!

5. For heathen heart that puts her trust
In reeking tube and iron shard,
All valiant dust that builds on dust,
And guarding, calls not thee to guard,
For frantic boast and foolish word—
Thy mercy on thy people, Lord!

559 *Suitable for National Thanksgivings and other occasions. A. C. Ainger,* 1841–1919.

GOD of our fathers, unto thee
Our fathers cried in danger's hour,
And then thou gavest them to see
The acts of thine almighty power.
They cried to thee, and thou didst hear;
They called on thee, and thou didst save;
And we their sons to-day draw near
Thy name to praise, thy help to crave.
Lord God of Hosts, uplift thine hand,
Protect and bless our Fatherland.

2 Thine is the majesty, O Lord,
And thine dominion over all;
When thou commandest, at thy word,
Great kings and nations rise or fall.
For eastern realms, for western coasts,
For islands washed by every sea,
The praise be given, O God of Hosts,
Not unto us but unto thee.

3. If in thy grace thou should'st allow
Our fame to wax through coming days,
Still grant us humbly, then as now,
Thy help to crave, thy name to praise.
Not all alike in speech or birth
Alike we bow before thy throne;
One fatherland throughout the earth
Our Father's noble acts we own.

560 *National Anthem.* *17th or 18th cent.*

GOD save our gracious King,
Long live our noble King,
God save the King!
Send him victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us;
God save the King!

2* Thy choicest gifts in store
On him be pleased to pour,
Long may he reign;
May he defend our laws,
And ever give us cause
To say with heart and voice
God save the King!

The whole or part of this hymn may be added.

W. E. Hickson, 1803–70.

Part 2.

3 God bless our native land,
May heaven's protecting hand
Still guard our shore;
May peace her power extend,
Foe be transformed to friend,
And Britain's rights depend
On war no more.

4 May just and righteous laws
Uphold the public cause,
And bless our isle.
Home of the brave and free,
The land of liberty,
We pray that still on thee
Kind heaven may smile.

5. Nor on this land alone—
But be God's mercies known
From shore to shore.
Lord, make the nations see
That men should brothers be,
And form one family
The wide world o'er.

561 *J. R. Wreford*, 1800–81.

LORD, while for all mankind we pray
Of every clime and coast,
O hear us for our native land,
The land we love the most.

2 O guard our shores from every foe;
With peace our borders bless;
With prosperous times our cities crown,
Our fields with plenteousness.

3 Unite us in the sacred love
Of knowledge, truth, and thee;
And let our hills and valleys shout
The songs of liberty.

4. Lord of the nations, thus to thee
Our country we commend;
Be thou her Refuge and her Trust,
Her everlasting Friend.

562

G. K. Chesterton.

O GOD of earth and altar,
Bow down and hear our cry,
Our earthly rulers falter,
Our people drift and die;
The walls of gold entomb us,
The swords of scorn divide,
Take not thy thunder from us,
But take away our pride.

2 From all that terror teaches,
From lies of tongue and pen,
From all the easy speeches
That comfort cruel men,
From sale and profanation
Of honour and the sword,
From sleep and from damnation,
Deliver us, good Lord!

3. Tie in a living tether
The prince and priest and thrall,
Bind all our lives together,
Smite us and save us all;
In ire and exultation
Aflame with faith, and free,
Lift up a living nation,
A single sword to thee.

563

J. Russell Lowell‡, 1819–91.

ONCE to every man and nation
Comes the moment to decide,
In the strife of truth with falsehood,
For the good or evil side;

Some great cause, God's new Messiah,
Offering each the bloom or blight—
And the choice goes by for ever
'Twixt that darkness and that light.

2 Then to side with truth is noble,
When we share her wretched crust,
Ere her cause bring fame and profit,
And 'tis prosperous to be just;
Then it is the brave man chooses,
While the coward stands aside,
Till the multitude make virtue
Of the faith they had denied.

3* By the light of burning martyrs,
Christ, thy bleeding feet we track,
Toiling up new Calvaries ever
With the Cross that turns not back.
New occasions teach new duties;
Time makes ancient good uncouth;
They must upward still and onward
Who would keep abreast of truth.

4. Though the cause of evil prosper,
Yet 'tis truth alone is strong;
Though her portion be the scaffold,
And upon the throne be wrong—
Yet that scaffold sways the future,
And, behind the dim unknown,
Standeth God within the shadow,
Keeping watch above his own.

564

Y. H. based on F. R. Tailour (1615).

THE King, O God, his heart to thee upraiseth;
With him the nation bows before thy face;
With high thanksgiving thee thy glad Church praiseth,
Our strength thy spirit, our trust and hope thy grace.

2 Unto great honour, glory undeservèd,
Hast thou exalted us, and drawn thee nigh;
Nor, from thy judgements when our feet had swervèd,
Didst thou forsake, nor leave us, Lord most high.

Part 2.

3 In thee our fathers trusted and were savèd,
In thee destroyèd thrones of tyrants proud;
From ancient bondage freed the poor enslavèd:
To sow thy truth poured out their saintly blood.

*4 Us now, we pray, O God, in anger scorn not,
Nor to vainglorying leave, nor brutish sense;
In time of trouble thy face from us turn not,
Who art our Rock, our stately sure defence.

5 Unto our minds give freedom and uprightness;
Let strength and courage lead o'er land and wave;
To our souls' armour grant celestial brightness,
Joy to our hearts, and faith beyond the grave.

6. Our plenteous nation still in power extending,
Increase our joy, uphold us by thy Word;
Beauty and wisdom all our ways attending,
Goodwill to man and peace through Christ our Lord.

565

Bishop W. W. How, 1823–97.

TO thee our God we fly
For mercy and for grace;
O hear our lowly cry,
And hide not thou thy face.
O Lord, stretch forth thy mighty hand,
And guard and bless our fatherland.

2 Arise, O Lord of hosts!
Be jealous for thy name,
And drive from out our coasts
The sins that put to shame.

3 Thy best gifts from on high
In rich abundance pour,
That we may magnify
And praise thee more and more.

4 The powers ordained by thee
With heavenly wisdom bless;
May they thy servants be,
And rule in righteousness.

5 The Church of thy dear Son
Inflame with love's pure fire,
Bind her once more in one,
And life and truth inspire.

6 * The pastors of thy fold
With grace and power endue,
That faithful, pure, and bold,
They may be pastors true.

7 * O let us love thy house,
And sanctify thy day,
Bring unto thee our vows,
And loyal homage pay.

8 * Give peace, Lord, in our time;
O let no foe draw nigh,
Nor lawless deed of crime
Insult thy majesty.

9. * Though vile and worthless, still
Thy people, Lord, are we;
And for our God we will
None other have but thee.

566

Ebenezer Elliott †, 1781–1849.

WHEN wilt thou save the people?
O God of mercy, when?
The people, Lord, the people,
Not thrones and crowns, but men!

Flowers of thy heart, O God, are they;
Let them not pass, like weeds, away—
Their heritage a sunless day.
God save the people!

2 Shall crime bring crime for ever,
Strength aiding still the strong?
Is it thy will, O Father,
That man shall toil for wrong?
'No,' say thy mountains; 'No,' thy skies;
Man's clouded sun shall brightly rise,
And songs be heard instead of sighs.
God save the people!

3. When wilt thou save the people?
O God of mercy, when?
The people, Lord, the people,
Not thrones and crowns, but men!
God save the people; thine they are,
Thy children, as thy Angels fair;
From vice, oppression, and despair,
God save the people!

The following are also suitable:

423 Judge eternal, throned in splendour.
450 O God, our help in ages past.
458 O Lord of hosts, all heaven possessing.
475 Rejoice, O land, in God thy might.
492 The Lord will come, and not be slow.
529 Son of God, eternal Saviour.

PART VIII.

FOR MISSION SERVICES.

Not for ordinary use.

567 *Elizabeth C. Clephane*, 1830–69.

BENEATH the Cross of Jesus
I fain would take my stand—
The shadow of a mighty Rock
Within a weary land;
A home within a wilderness,
A rest upon the way,
From the burning of the noontide heat
And the burden of the day.

2 O safe and happy shelter!
O refuge tried and sweet!
O trysting-place where heaven's love
And heaven's justice meet!
As to the exiled patriarch
That wondrous dream was given,
So seems my Saviour's Cross to me
A ladder up to heaven.

3 There lies beneath its shadow,
But on the further side,
The darkness of an open grave
That gapes both deep and wide;
And there between us stands the Cross,
Two arms outstretched to save,
Like a watchman set to guard the way
From that eternal grave.

4 Upon that Cross of Jesus
Mine eye at times can see
The very dying form of One,
Who suffered there for me.

And from my stricken heart, with tears,
Two wonders I confess,—
The wonders of redeeming love,
And my own worthlessness.

5. I take, O Cross, thy shadow,
For my abiding-place;
I ask no other sunshine than
The sunshine of his face:
Content to let the world go by,
To know no gain nor loss,—
My sinful self my only shame,
My glory all—the Cross.

568

S. Baring-Gould, 1834–1924.

DAILY, daily sing the praises
Of the City God hath made;
In the beauteous fields of Eden
Its foundation-stones are laid:
O, that I had wings of Angels
Here to spread and heavenward fly;
I would seek the gates of Sion,
Far beyond the starry sky!

2 All the walls of that dear City
Are of bright and burnished gold;
It is matchless in its beauty,
And its treasures are untold:

3 In the midst of that dear City
Christ is reigning on his seat,
And the Angels swing their censers
In a ring about his feet:

4 From the throne a river issues,
Clear as crystal, passing bright,
And it traverses the City
Like a beam of living light:

5 There the meadows green and dewy
Shine with lilies wondrous fair;
Thousand, thousand are the colours
Of the waving flowers there:

6 There the forests ever blossom,
Like our orchards here in May;
There the gardens never wither,
But eternally are gay:

7 There the wind is sweetly fragrant,
And is laden with the song
Of the Seraphs, and the Elders,
And the great redeemèd throng:

8. O I would my ears were open
Here to catch that happy strain!
O I would my eyes some vision
Of that Eden could attain!

569

J. Purchas†, 1823–72.

EVENSONG is hushed in silence,
And the hour of rest is nigh;
Strengthen us for work to-morrow,
Son of Mary—God most high!
Thou who in the village workshop,
Fashioning the yoke and plough,
Didst eat bread by daily labour,
Succour them that labour now.

We are weary of life-long toil,
Of sorrow, and pain, and sin;
But there is a City with streets of gold,
And all is peace within.

2 How are we to reach that City,
Whose delights no tongue may tell?
By the faith that looks to Jesus,
By a life of doing well.

Sinful men and sinful women,
He will wash our sins away;
He will take us to the sheepfold
Whence no sheep can ever stray.

3. There the dear ones who have left us
We shall some day meet again;
There will be no bitter partings,
No more sorrow, death, or pain.
Evensong has closed in silence,
And the hour of rest is nigh;
Lighten thou our darkness, Jesu,
Son of Mary—God most high!

570

P. P. Bliss, 1838–76.

HO! my comrades, see the signal
Waving in the sky!
Reinforcements now appearing,
Victory is nigh!
'Hold the fort, for I am coming,'
Jesus signals still;
Wave the answer back to heaven,
'By thy grace we will.'

2 See the mighty host advancing,
Satan leading on;
Mighty men around us falling,
Courage almost gone!

3 See the glorious banner waving!
Hear the trumpet blow!
In our Leader's name we'll triumph
Over every foe.

4. Fierce and long the battle rages,
But our help is near;
Onward comes our great Commander,
Cheer, my comrades, cheer!

571

F. W. Faber, 1814–63.

HOLY Ghost, come down upon thy children,
Give us grace and make us thine;
Thy tender fires within us kindle,
Blessèd Spirit, Dove divine.

2 For all within us good and holy
Is from thee, thy precious gift;
In all our joys, in all our sorrows,
Wistful hearts to thee we lift.
Holy Ghost, come down, &c.

3 For thou to us art more than father,
More than sister, in thy love;
So gentle, patient, and forbearing,
Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove.
Holy Ghost, come down, &c.

4 O we have grieved thee, gracious Spirit!
Wayward, wanton, cold are we;
And still our sins, new every morning,
Never yet have wearied thee.
Holy Ghost, come down, &c.

5 Ah! sweet Consoler, though we cannot
Love thee as thou lovest us,
Yet if thou deign'st our hearts to kindle
They will not be always thus.
Holy Ghost, come down, &c.

6. With hearts so vile how dare we venture,
King of kings, to love thee so?
And how canst thou, with such compassion,
Bear so long with things so low?
Holy Ghost, come down, &c.

572

Frances R. Havergal, 1836–79.

I COULD not do without thee,
O Saviour of the lost,
Whose precious Blood redeemed me
At such tremendous cost;

Thy righteousness, thy pardon,
Thy precious Blood must be
My only hope and comfort,
My glory and my plea.

2 I could not do without thee,
I cannot stand alone,
I have no strength or goodness,
No wisdom of my own;
But thou, belovèd Saviour,
Art all in all to me,
And weakness will be power
If leaning hard on thee.

3 I could not do without thee,
O Jesus, Saviour dear;
E'en when my eyes are holden
I know that thou art near;
How dreary and how lonely
This changeful life would be
Without the sweet communion,
The secret rest with thee.

4. I could not do without thee,
For years are fleeting fast,
And soon in solemn loneliness
The river must be passed;
But thou wilt never leave me,
And though the waves roll high,
I know thou wilt be near me,
And whisper, 'It is I.'

573 *L. Hartsough*, 1828–1919.

I HEAR thy welcome voice,
That calls me, Lord, to thee,
For cleansing in thy precious Blood
That flowed on Calvary.

I am coming, Lord!
Coming now to thee!
Wash me, cleanse me, in the Blood
That flowed on Calvary.

2 Though coming weak and vile,
Thou dost my strength assure;
Thou dost my vileness fully cleanse,
Till spotless all and pure.

3 'Tis Jesus calls me on
To perfect faith and love,
To perfect hope, and peace, and trust
For earth and heaven above.

4 'Tis Jesus who confirms
The blessèd work within,
By adding grace to welcomed grace,
Where reigned the power of sin.

5. All hail, atoning Blood!
All hail, redeeming grace!
All hail, the gift of Christ our Lord,
Our Strength and Righteousness!

574 *(Other occasions also.)* *H. Bonar*, 1808–89.

I HEARD the voice of Jesus say,
'Come unto me and rest;
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down
Thy head upon my breast:'
I came to Jesus as I was,
Weary, and worn, and sad;
I found in him a resting-place,
And he has made me glad.

2 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'Behold, I freely give
The living water, thirsty one;
Stoop down, and drink, and live:
I came to Jesus, and I drank
Of that life-giving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
And now I live in him.

3. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'I am this dark world's Light;
Look unto me, thy morn shall rise,
And all thy day be bright:'
I looked to Jesus, and I found
In him my Star, my Sun;
And in that light of life I'll walk
Till travelling days are done.

575 *H. Bonar*, 1808–89.

I LAY my sins on Jesus,
The spotless Lamb of God;
He bears them all, and frees us
From the accursèd load.
I bring my guilt to Jesus,
To wash my crimson stains
White in his Blood most precious,
Till not a spot remains.

2 I lay my wants on Jesus—
All fullness dwells in him;
He heals all my diseases,
He doth my soul redeem.
I lay my griefs on Jesus,
My burdens and my cares;
He from them all releases,
He all my sorrows shares.

3 I rest my soul on Jesus,
This weary soul of mine;
His right hand me embraces,
I on his breast recline.
I love the name of Jesus—
Immanuel, Christ, the Lord;
Like fragrance on the breezes
His name abroad is poured.

4. I long to be like Jesus,
Meek, loving, lowly, mild;
I long to be like Jesus,
The Father's holy Child.

I long to be with Jesus,
Amid the heavenly throng,
To sing with Saints his praises,
To learn the Angels' song.

576 *F. Whitfield* †, 1827–1904.

I NEED thee, precious Jesu,
For I am full of sin;
My soul is dark and guilty,
My heart is dead within.
I need the cleansing fountain
Where I can always flee,
The Blood of Christ most precious,
The sinner's perfect plea.

2 I need thee, precious Jesu,
For I am very poor;
A stranger and a pilgrim,
I have no earthly store.
I need the love of Jesus
To cheer me on my way,
To guide my doubting footsteps,
To be my strength and stay.

3 I need thee, precious Jesu:
I need a friend like thee,
A friend to soothe and pity,
A friend to care for me.
I need the heart of Jesus
To feel each anxious care,
To tell my every trouble,
And all my sorrow share.

4. I need thee, precious Jesu,
And hope to see thee soon,
Encircled with the rainbow,
And seated on thy throne;
There, with thy blood-bought children,
My joy shall ever be,
To sing thy praises, Jesu,
To gaze, my Lord, on thee.

577 *J. E. Bode*, 1816–74.

O JESUS, I have promised
To serve thee to the end;
Be thou for ever near me,
My Master and my Friend;
I shall not fear the battle
If thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway
If thou wilt be my Guide.

2 O let me feel thee near me:
The world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle,
The tempting sounds I hear;
My foes are ever near me,
Around me and within;
But, Jesus, draw thou nearer,
And shield my soul from sin.

3 O let me hear thee speaking
In accents clear and still,
Above the storms of passion,
The murmurs of self-will;
O speak to reassure me,
To hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen,
Thou Guardian of my soul.

4 O Jesus, thou hast promised
To all who follow thee,
That where thou art in glory
There shall thy servant be;
And, Jesus, I have promised
To serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow,
My Master and my Friend.

5. O let me see thy footmarks,
And in them plant mine own;
My hope to follow duly
Is in thy strength alone;

O guide me, call me, draw me,
Uphold me to the end;
And then in heaven receive me,
My Saviour and my Friend.

578

Bishop W. W. How, 1823-97.

O JESU, thou art standing
Outside the fast-closed door,
In lowly patience waiting
To pass the threshold o'er:
Shame on us, Christian brothers,
His name and sign who bear,
O shame, thrice shame upon us
To keep him standing there!

2 O Jesu, thou art knocking:
And lo! that hand is scarred,
And thorns thy brow encircle,
And tears thy face have marred:
O love that passeth knowledge
So patiently to wait!
O sin that hath no equal
So fast to bar the gate!

3. O Jesu, thou art pleading
In accents meek and low,
'I died for you, my children,
And will ye treat me so?'
O Lord, with shame and sorrow
We open now the door:
Dear Saviour, enter, enter,
And leave us nevermore.

579

J. S. B. Monsell, 1811-75.

REST of the weary,
Joy of the sad,
Hope of the dreary,
Light of the glad;

Home of the stranger,
  Strength to the end,
Refuge from danger,
  Saviour and Friend.

2 Pillow where, lying,
  Love rests its head;
Peace of the dying,
  Life of the dead;
Path of the lowly,
  Prize at the end;
Breath of the holy,
  Saviour and Friend.

3 When my feet stumble,
  I'll to thee cry;
Crown of the humble,
  Cross of the high.
When my steps wander,
  Over me bend,
Truer and fonder,
  Saviour and Friend.

4. Ever confessing
  Thee, I will raise
Unto thee blessing,
  Glory and praise;
All my endeavour,
  World without end,
Thine to be ever,
  Saviour and Friend.

580 *Frances J. Van Alstyne*‡, 1823–1915.

SAFE in the arms of Jesus,
  Safe on his gentle breast,
There, by his love o'ershadowed,
  Sweetly my soul shall rest.

Hark! 'tis the voice of Angels
Borne in a song to me,
Over the fields of glory,
Over the jasper sea.
Safe in the arms, &c.

2 Safe in the arms of Jesus,
Safe from corroding care,
Safe from the world's temptations,
Sin shall not harm me there.
Free from the blight of sorrow,
Free from my doubts and fears,
Free from my daily trials,
Free from my frequent tears.
Safe in the arms, &c.

3. Jesus, my heart's dear Refuge,
Jesus has died for me;
Firm on the Rock of ages
Ever my trust shall be.
Here let me wait with patience,
Wait till the night is o'er;
Then may I see the morning
Break on the golden shore.
Safe in the arms, &c.

581 *G. Duffield*, 1818–88.

STAND up!—stand up for Jesus!
Ye soldiers of the Cross;
Lift high his royal banner,
It must not suffer loss.
From victory unto victory
His army he shall lead,
Till every foe is vanquished,
And Christ is Lord indeed.

2 Stand up!—stand up for Jesus!
The solemn watchword hear,
If while ye sleep he suffers,
Away with shame and fear;

Where'er ye meet with evil,
Within you or without,
Charge for the God of battles,
And put the foe to rout.

3 Stand up!—stand up for Jesus!
The trumpet call obey,
Forth to the mighty conflict
In this his glorious day.
Ye that are men now serve him
Against unnumbered foes;
Let courage rise with danger,
And strength to strength oppose.

4 Stand up!—stand up for Jesus!
Stand in his strength alone;
The arm of flesh will fail you,
Ye dare not trust your own.
Put on the Gospel armour,
Each piece put on with prayer;
Where duty calls or danger,
Be never wanting there!

5. Stand up!—stand up for Jesus!
The strife will not be long;
This day the noise of battle,
The next the victor's song.
To him that overcometh
A crown of life shall be;
He with the King of Glory
Shall reign eternally.

582 *Frances R. Havergal*, 1886–79.

TAKE my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to thee;
Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands, and let them move
At the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be
Swift and beautiful for thee.

2 Take my voice, and let me sing
Always, only, for my King;
Take my lips, and let them be
Filled with messages from thee.
Take my silver and my gold;
Not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use
Every power as thou shalt choose.

3. Take my will, and make it thine:
It shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart; it is thine own:
It shall be thy royal throne.
Take my love; my Lord, I pour
At thy feet its treasure-store.
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for thee.

583

K. Hankey, 1834–1911.

TELL me the old, old story,
Of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and his glory,
Of Jesus and his love.
Tell me the story simply,
As to a little child,
For I am weak and weary,
And helpless and defiled.
Tell me the old, old story,
Of Jesus and his love.

2 Tell me the story slowly,
That I may take it in—
That wonderful redemption,
God's remedy for sin.
Tell me the story often,
For I forget so soon;
The early dew of morning
Has passed away at noon.

3 Tell me the story softly,
With earnest tones and grave;

Remember, I'm the sinner
Whom Jesus came to save.
Tell me that story always,
If you would really be,
In any time of trouble,
A comforter to me.

4. Tell me the same old story,
When you have cause to fear
That this world's empty glory
Is costing me too dear.
Yes, and when that world's glory
Shall dawn upon my soul,
Tell me the old, old story,
'Christ Jesus makes thee whole.'

584

Elizabeth C. Clephane, 1830–69.

THERE were ninety and nine that safely lay
In the shelter of the fold,
And one was out on the hills away,
Far off from the gates of gold;
Away on the mountains wild and bare,
Away from the tender Shepherd's care.

2 'Lord, thou hast here thy ninety and nine;
Are they not enough for thee?'
But the Shepherd made answer: 'This of mine
Has wandered away from me;
And although the road be rough and steep,
I go to the desert to find my sheep.'

3 But none of the ransomed ever knew
How deep were the waters crossed;
Nor how dark the night that the Lord passed through
Ere he found his sheep that was lost.
Out in the desert he heard its cry—
Sick and hopeless, and ready to die.

4 'Lord, whence are those blood-drops all the way,
That mark out the mountain's track?'
'They were shed for one that had gone astray
Ere the Shepherd could bring him back.'

'Lord, whence are thy hands so rent and torn?'
'They are pierced to-night by many a thorn.'

5. And all through the mountains, thunder-riven,
And up from the rocky steep,
There rose a cry to the gates of heaven,
'Rejoice! I have found my sheep!'
And the Angels echoed around the throne,
'Rejoice, for the Lord brings back his own!'

585

Emily E. S. Elliott, 1835–97.

THOU didst leave thy throne and thy kingly crown
When thou camest to earth for me;
But in Bethlehem's home was there found no room
For thy holy nativity.

O come to my heart, Lord Jesus;
There is room in my heart for thee.

2 Heaven's arches rang when the Angels sang,
Proclaiming thy royal degree;
But in lowly birth didst thou come to earth,
And in great humility.

3 The foxes found rest, and the birds had their nest
In the shade of the cedar tree;
But thy couch was the sod, O thou Son of God,
In the deserts of Galilee.

4 Thou camest, O Lord, with the living word
That should set thy people free;
But with mocking scorn, and with crown of thorn
They bore thee to Calvary.

5. When heaven's arches shall ring, and her choirs shall sing
At thy coming to victory,
Let thy voice call me home, saying, Yet there is room,
There is room at my side for thee.

Part IX.

AT CATECHISM.

586 *K. Hankey*, 1834–1911.

ADVENT tells us, Christ is near :
Christmas tells us Christ is here !
In Epiphany we trace
All the glory of his grace.

2 Those three Sundays before Lent
Will prepare us to repent ;
That in Lent we may begin
Earnestly to mourn for sin.

3 Holy Week and Easter, then,
Tell who died and rose again :
O that happy Easter Day !
'Christ is risen indeed,' we say.

4 Yes, and Christ ascended, too,
To prepare a place for you ;
So we give him special praise,
After those great Forty Days.

5 Then, he sent the Holy Ghost,
On the Day of Pentecost,
With us ever to abide :
Well may we keep Whitsuntide !

6. Last of all, we humbly sing
Glory to our God and King,
Glory to the One in Three,
On the Feast of Trinity.

587

Suitable also for Adults.

Mrs. C. F. Alexander†, 1823–95.

ALL things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all.

2 Each little flower that opens,
Each little bird that sings,
He made their glowing colours,
He made their tiny wings.

3 The purple-headed mountain,
The river running by,
The sunset and the morning,
That brightens up the sky;

4 The cold wind in the winter,
The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden,—
He made them every one;

5* The tall trees in the greenwood,
The meadows for our play,
The rushes by the water,
To gather every day;—

6. He gave us eyes to see them,
And lips that we might tell
How great is God Almighty,
Who has made all things well.

588

Bishop W. W. How, 1823–97.

BEHOLD a little Child,
Laid in a manger bed;
The wintry blasts blow wild
Around his infant head.
But who is this so lowly laid?
'Tis he by whom the worlds were made.

2 Alas! in what poor state
The Son of God is seen;
Why doth the Lord so great
Choose out a home so mean?
That we may learn from pride to flee,
And follow his humility.

3 Where Joseph plies his trade,
Lo! Jesus labours too;
The hands that all things made
An earthly craft pursue,
That weary men in him may rest,
And faithful toil through him be blest.

4 Among the doctors see
The Boy so full of grace;
Say, wherefore taketh he
The scholar's lowly place?
That Christian boys, with reverence meet,
May sit and learn at Jesus' feet.

5. Christ! once thyself a boy,
Our boyhood guard and guide;
Be thou its light and joy,
And still with us abide,
That thy dear love, so great and free,
May draw us evermore to thee.

589

Mrs. C. F. Alexander, 1823–95.

DO no sinful action,
Speak no angry word;
Ye belong to Jesus,
Children of the Lord.

2 Christ is kind and gentle,
Christ is pure and true;
And his little children
Must be holy too.

3*There's a wicked spirit
Watching round you still,
And he tries to tempt you
To all harm and ill.

4*But ye must not hear him,
Though 'tis hard for you
To resist the evil,
And the good to do.

5 For ye promised truly,
In your infant days,
To renounce him wholly,
And forsake his ways.

6 Ye are new-born Christians,
Ye must learn to fight
With the bad within you,
And to do the right.

7. Christ is your own Master,
He is good and true,
And his little children
Must be holy too.

590 *Suitable also for Adults.*

Mrs. C. F. Alexander, 1823–95.

EVERY morning the red sun
Rises warm and bright;
But the evening cometh on,
And the dark, cold night.
There's a bright land far away,
Where 'tis never-ending day.

2 Every spring the sweet young flowers
Open bright and gay,
Till the chilly autumn hours
Wither them away.
There's a land we have not seen,
Where the trees are always green.

3 Little birds sing songs of praise
All the summer long,
But in colder, shorter days
They forget their song.
There's a place where Angels sing
Ceaseless praises to their King.

4 Christ our Lord is ever near
Those who follow him;
But we cannot see him here,
For our eyes are dim;
There is a most happy place,
Where men always see his face.

5. Who shall go to that bright land?
All who do the right:
Holy children there shall stand
In their robes of white;
For that heaven, so bright and blest,
Is our everlasting rest.

591 *C. Wesley*, 1707–88

GENTLE Jesus, meek and mild,
Look upon a little child;
Pity my simplicity,
Suffer me to come to thee.

2 Fain I would to thee be brought,
Dearest God, forbid it not;
Give me, dearest God, a place
In the kingdom of thy grace.

Part 2.

3 Lamb of God, I look to thee;
Thou shalt my example be:
Thou art gentle, meek and mild,
Thou wast once a little child.

4 Fain I would be as thou art;
Give me thy obedient heart.
Thou art pitiful and kind,
Let me have thy loving mind.

5 Let me, above all, fulfil
God my heavenly Father's will,
Never his good Spirit grieve,
Only to his glory live.

Part 3.

6 Thou didst live to God alone;
Thou didst never seek thine own;
Thou thyself didst never please:
God was all thy happiness.

7 Loving Jesus, gentle Lamb,
In thy gracious hands I am:
Make me, Saviour, what thou art;
Live thyself within my heart.

8. I shall then show forth thy praise,
Serve thee all my happy days;
Then the world shall always see
Christ, the holy Child, in me.

592 *Suitable also for Adults.* *S. Baring-Gould,* 1834–1924.

HAIL the Sign, the Sign of Jesus,
Bright and royal Tree!
Standard of the Monarch, planted
First on Calvary!

Hail the Sign all signs excelling,
Hail the Sign all ills dispelling,
Hail the Sign hell's power quelling,
Cross of Christ, all hail!

2 Sign the Martyrs' strength and refuge,
Sign to Saints so dear!
Sign of evil men abhorrèd,
Sign which devils fear:

3 Sign which, when the Lord returneth,
In the heavens shall be;
Sinners quail, while Saints with rapture
Shall the vision see:

4 Lo, I sign the Cross of Jesus
Meekly on my breast;
May it guard my heart when living,
Dying be its rest:

5. In the name of God the Father,
Name of God the Son,
Name of God the blessèd Spirit,
Ever Three in One:

593 *Bishop Chr. Wordsworth*, 1807–85.

HEAVENLY Father, send thy blessing
On thy children gathered here,
May they all, thy name confessing,
Be to thee for ever dear;
May they be, like Joseph, loving,
Dutiful, and chaste, and pure;
And their faith, like David proving,
Steadfast unto death endure.

2 Holy Saviour, who in meekness
Didst vouchsafe a Child to be,
Guide their steps, and help their weakness,
Bless, and make them like to thee;
Bear thy lambs when they are weary,
In thine arms, and at thy breast;
Through life's desert, dry and dreary,
Bring them to thy heavenly rest.

3. Spread thy golden pinions o'er them,
Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove,
Guide them, lead them, go before them,
Give them peace, and joy, and love;

Temples of the Holy Spirit,
  May they with thy glory shine,
And immortal bliss inherit,
  And for evermore be thine!

594

Emily Miller, 1833–1913.

I LOVE to hear the story
  Which Angel voices tell,
How once the King of glory
  Came down on earth to dwell.
I am both weak and sinful,
  But this I surely know,
The Lord came down to save me,
  Because he loved me so.

2 I'm glad my blessèd Saviour
  Was once a Child like me,
To show how pure and holy
  His little ones might be;
And if I try to follow
  His footsteps here below,
He never will forsake me,
  Because he loves me so.

3. To tell his love and mercy
  My sweetest songs I'll raise;
And though I cannot see him,
  I know he hears my praise;
For he himself has promised
  That even I may go
To sing among his Angels,
  Because he loves me so.

595

Mrs. J. Luke, 1813–1906.

I THINK, when I read that sweet story of old,
  When Jesus was here among men,
How he called little children as lambs to his fold,
  I should like to have been with him then.

I wish that his hands had been placed on my head,
That his arm had been thrown around me,
And that I might have seen his kind look when he said,
'Let the little ones come unto me.'

2 Yet still to his footstool in prayer I may go,
And ask for a share in his love;
And if I now earnestly seek him below,
I shall see him and hear him above:
In that beautiful place he has gone to prepare
For all that are washed and forgiven.
And many dear children are gathering there,
'For of such is the kingdom of heaven.'

3. But thousands and thousands who wander and fall
Never heard of that heavenly home;
I should like them to know there is room for them all,
And that Jesus has bid them to come.
I long for the joy of that glorious time,
The sweetest, and brightest, and best,
When the dear little children of every clime
Shall crowd to his arms and be blest.

596

W. Chatterton Dix, 1837–98.

IN our work, and in our play,
Jesus, be thou ever near;
Guarding, guiding all the day,
Keeping in thy holy fear.

2 Thou didst toil, O royal Child,
In the far-off Holy Land,
Blessing labour undefiled,
Pure and honest, of the hand.

3 Thou wilt bless our play-hour too,
If we ask thy succour strong;
Watch o'er all we say or do,
Hold us back from guilt and wrong.

4. O! how happy thus to spend
Work and playtime in his sight,
Who that day which shall not end
Gives to those who do the right.

597

Bishop W. W. How, 1823-97.

IT is a thing most wonderful,
Almost too wonderful to be,
That God's own Son should come from heaven,
And die to save a child like me.

2 And yet I know that it is true:
He chose a poor and humble lot,
And wept, and toiled, and mourned, and died,
For love of those who loved him not.

3* I cannot tell how he could love
A child so weak and full of sin;
His love must be most wonderful,
If he could die my love to win.

4* I sometimes think about the Cross,
And shut my eyes, and try to see
The cruel nails and crown of thorns,
And Jesus crucified for me.

5 But even could I see him die,
I could but see a little part
Of that great love, which, like a fire,
Is always burning in his heart.

6 It is most wonderful to know
His love for me so free and sure;
But 'tis more wonderful to see
My love for him so faint and poor.

7. And yet I want to love thee, Lord;
O light the flame within my heart,
And I will love thee more and more,
Until I see thee as thou art.

598 *Suitable also for Adults.* *Percy Dearmer,* 1867–1936.

JESUS, good above all other,
Gentle Child of gentle Mother,
In a stable born our Brother,
Give us grace to persevere.

2 Jesus, cradled in a manger,
For us facing every danger,
Living as a homeless stranger,
Make we thee our King most dear.

3 Jesus, for thy people dying,
Risen Master, death defying,
Lord in heaven, thy grace supplying,
Keep us to thy presence near.

4 Jesus, who our sorrows bearest,
All our thoughts and hopes thou sharest,
Thou to man the truth declarest;
Help us all thy truth to hear.

5. Lord, in all our doings guide us;
Pride and hate shall ne'er divide us;
We'll go on with thee beside us,
And with joy we'll persevere!

599 *Evening.* *Mary L. Duncan,* 1814–40.

JESU, tender Shepherd, hear me,
Bless thy little lamb to-night;
Through the darkness be thou near me,
Watch my sleep till morning light.

2 All this day thy hand has led me,
And I thank thee for thy care;
Thou hast clothed me, warmed and fed me,
Listen to my evening prayer.

3. Let my sins be all forgiven,
Bless the friends I love so well;
Take me, when I die, to heaven,
Happy there with thee to dwell.

600

Mrs. J. A. Carney (1845).

LITTLE drops of water,
Little grains of sand,
Make the mighty ocean
And the beauteous land.

2 And the little moments,
Humble though they be,
Make the mighty ages
Of eternity.

3*Little deeds of kindness,
Little words of love,
Make our earth an Eden,
Like the heaven above.

4*So our little errors
Lead the soul away,
From the paths of virtue
Into sin to stray.

5 Little seeds of mercy
Sown by youthful hands,
Grow to bless the nations
Far in heathen lands.

6. Glory then for ever
Be to God on high,
Beautiful and loving,
To eternity. Amen.

601

Jane Taylor, 1783–1824.

LORD, I would own thy tender care,
And all thy love to me;
The food I eat, the clothes I wear,
Are all bestowed by thee.

2 'Tis thou preservest me from death
And dangers every hour;
I cannot draw another breath
Unless thou give me power.

3 Kind Angels guard me every night,
As round my bed they stay;
Nor am I absent from thy sight
In darkness or by day.

4 My health and friends and parents dear
To me by God are given;
I have not any blessing here
But what is sent from heaven.

5. Such goodness, Lord, and constant care,
A child can ne'er repay;
But may it be my daily prayer
To love thee and obey.

602

Jane E. Leeson, 1807–82.

LOVING Shepherd of thy sheep,
Keep thy lamb, in safety keep;
Nothing can thy power withstand,
None can pluck me from thy hand.

2*Loving Saviour, thou didst give
Thine own life that we might live;
And the hands outstretched to bless
Bear the cruel nails' impress.

3 I would bless thee every day,
Gladly all thy will obey,
Like thy blessèd ones above,
Happy in thy precious love.

4 Loving Shepherd, ever near,
Teach thy lamb thy voice to hear;
Suffer not my steps to stray
From the straight and narrow way.

5. Where thou leadest I would go,
Walking in thy steps below,
Till before my Father's throne
I shall know as I am known.

603 *Suitable also for Adults.*

S. Baring-Gould, 1834–1924.

NOW the day is over,
Night is drawing nigh,
Shadows of the evening
Steal across the sky.

2 Now the darkness gathers,
Stars begin to peep,
Birds and beasts and flowers
Soon will be asleep.

3 Jesu, give the weary
Calm and sweet repose;
With thy tenderest blessing
May our eyelids close.

4 Grant to little children
Visions bright of thee;
Guard the sailors tossing
On the deep blue sea.

5 Comfort every sufferer
Watching late in pain;
Those who plan some evil
From their sin restrain.

6* Through the long night watches
May thine Angels spread
Their white wings above me,
Watching round my bed.

7* When the morning wakens,
Then may I arise
Pure, and fresh, and sinless
In thy holy eyes.

8. Glory to the Father,
Glory to the Son,
And to thee, blest Spirit,
Whilst all ages run. Amen.

604 *For the Close of a Festival.* *M. F. Bell.*

O DEAREST Lord, by all adored,
Our trespasses confessing,
To thee this day thy children pray,
The holy Faith professing!
Accept, O King, the gifts we bring,
Our songs of praise, the prayers we raise;
And grant us, Lord, thy blessing.

The following is also suitable:

535 *Pt.* 2. Worship, honour, glory, blessing.

605 *Suitable also for Adults.*
Mrs. C. F. Alexander, 1823–95.

ONCE in royal David's city
Stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a Mother laid her Baby
In a manger for his bed:
Mary was that Mother mild,
Jesus Christ her little Child.

2 He came down to earth from heaven,
Who is God and Lord of all,
And his shelter was a stable,
And his cradle was a stall;
With the poor, and mean, and lowly,
Lived on earth our Saviour holy.

3* And through all his wondrous childhood
He would honour and obey,
Love, and watch the lowly Maiden,
In whose gentle arms he lay;
Christian children all must be
Mild, obedient, good as he.

4* For he is our childhood's pattern,
Day by day like us he grew,
He was little, weak, and helpless,
Tears and smiles like us he knew;
And he feeleth for our sadness,
And he shareth in our gladness.

5 And our eyes at last shall see him,
Through his own redeeming love,
For that Child so dear and gentle
Is our Lord in heaven above;
And he leads his children on
To the place where he is gone.

6. Not in that poor lowly stable,
With the oxen standing by,
We shall see him; but in heaven,
Set at God's right hand on high;
When like stars his children crowned
All in white shall wait around.

606

R. S. Hawker, 1804-75.

SING to the Lord the children's hymn,
His gentle love declare,
Who bends amid the Seraphim
To hear the children's prayer.

2 He at a mother's breast was fed,
Though God's own Son was he;
He learnt the first small words he said
At a meek mother's knee.

3 He held us to his mighty breast,
The children of the earth;
He lifted up his hands and blessed
The babes of human birth.

4 Lo! from the stars his face will turn
On us with glances mild;
The Angels of his presence yearn
To bless the little child.

5.*Keep us, O Jesus, Lord, for thee,
That so, by thy dear grace,
We, children of the font, may see
Our heavenly Father's face.

607

A. Midlane, 1825–1909.

THERE'S a Friend for little children
Above the bright blue sky,
A Friend who never changes,
Whose love will never die;
Our earthly friends may fail us,
And change with changing years,
This Friend is always worthy
Of that dear name he bears.

2 There's a rest for little children
Above the bright blue sky,
Who love the blessèd Saviour,
And to the Father cry;
A rest from every trouble,
From sin and danger free,
Where every little pilgrim
Shall rest eternally.

3 There's a home for little children
Above the bright blue sky,
Where Jesus reigns in glory,
A home of peace and joy;
No home on earth is like it,
Nor can with it compare;
And every one is happy,
Nor could be happier there.

4 There's a crown for little children
Above the bright blue sky,
And all who look to Jesus
Shall wear it by and by;
A crown of brightest glory,
Which he will then bestow
On those who found his favour
And loved his name below.

5 There's a song for little children
Above the bright blue sky,
A song that will not weary,
Though sung continually;

A song which even Angels
Can never, never sing;
They know not Christ as Saviour,
But worship him as King.

6. There's a robe for little children
Above the bright blue sky,
And a harp of sweetest music,
And palms of victory.
All, all above is treasured,
And found in Christ alone;
O come, dear little children,
That all may be your own.

608 *Suitable also for Adults.* *A. Young*, 1807–89.

THERE is a happy land,
Far, far away,
Where Saints in glory stand,
Bright, bright as day.
O, how they sweetly sing,
Worthy is our Saviour King!
Loud let his praises ring,
Praise, praise for ay.

2 Come to this happy land,
Come, come away;
Why will ye doubting stand?
Why still delay?
O, we shall happy be,
When, from sin and sorrow free,
Lord, we shall live with thee,
Blest, blest for ay.

3. Bright in that happy land
Beams every eye;
Kept by a Father's hand
Love cannot die.
On then to glory run,
Be a crown and kingdom won,
And bright above the sun
Reign, reign for ay!

609 *Morning.* *W. Canton*, 1845–1926.

THROUGH the night thy Angels kept
Watch beside me while I slept;
Now the dark has passed away,
Thank thee, Lord, for this new day.

2 North and south and east and west
May thy holy name be blest;
Everywhere beneath the sun,
As in heaven, thy will be done.

3. Give me food that I may live;
Every naughtiness forgive;
Keep all evil things away
From thy little child this day.

610 *Mrs. C. F. Alexander*, 1823–95.

WE are but little children poor,
And born in very low estate;
What can we do for Jesu's sake,
Who is so high and good and great?

2* We know the Holy Innocents
Laid down for him their infant life,
And Martyrs brave and patient Saints
Have stood for him in fire and strife.

3* We wear the Cross they wore of old,
Our lips have learned like vows to make;
We need not die, we cannot fight,—
What may we do for Jesu's sake?

4 O, day by day, each Christian child,
Has much to do, without, within,—
A death to die for Jesu's sake,
A weary war to wage with sin.

5 When deep within our swelling hearts
The thoughts of pride and anger rise,
When bitter words are on our tongues,
And tears of passion in our eyes,—

6 Then we may stay the angry blow,
Then we may check the hasty word,
Give gentle answers back again,
And fight a battle for our Lord.

7. There's not a child so small and weak
But has his little cross to take,
His little work of love and praise
That he may do for Jesu's sake!

611

Laurence Housman.

WHEN Christ was born in Bethlehem,
Fair peace on earth to bring,
In lowly state of love he came
To be the children's King.

2 A mother's heart was there his throne,
His orb a maiden's breast,
Whereby he made through love alone
His kingdom manifest.

3 And round him, then, a holy band
Of children blest was born,
Fair guardians of his throne to stand
Attendant night and morn.

4 And unto them this grace was given
A Saviour's name to own,
And die for him who out of heaven
Had found on earth a throne.

5 O blessèd babes of Bethlehem,
Who died to save our King,
Ye share the Martyrs' diadem,
And in their anthem sing!

6* Your lips, on earth that never spake,
Now sound the eternal word;
And in the courts of love ye make
Your children's voices heard.

7.*Lord Jesus Christ, eternal Child,
Make thou our childhood thine;
That we with these the meek and mild
May share the love divine.

612 *B. R. Hanby*, 1833-67.

WHO is he, in yonder stall,
At whose feet the shepherds fall?
'Tis the Lord! O wondrous story!
'Tis the Lord, the King of Glory!
At his feet we humbly fall;
Crown him, crown him Lord of all!
At his feet we humbly fall—the Lord of all:
Crown him, Lord of all!

2 * Who is he, in yonder cot,
Bending to his toilsome lot?

3 * Who is he, in deep distress,
Fasting in the wilderness?

4 * Who is he that stands and weeps
At the grave where Lazarus sleeps?

5 * Lo! at midnight, who is he,
Prays in dark Gethsemane?

6 Who is he, in Calvary's throes,
Asks for blessings on his foes?

7 Who is he that from the grave
Comes to heal and help and save?

8. Who is he that on yon throne
Rules the world of light alone?

The simpler Hymns in other parts of the book are also suitable for use at Catechism, and should be freely used in addition to the Hymns in this part. Such hymns are marked with an asterisk in the Edition 'For Young and Old' of the English Hymnal.

PART X.

PROCESSIONAL.

The following Hymns need not always be sung in the order given: those in the first section (613–640) *which are not taken from the English processionals are arranged on similar principles, but are suitable also for use as separate hymns on other occasions.*

A CHRISTMAS PROCESSION.

613 *Prudentius, b.* 348. *Tr. R. F. D.*

Corde natus ex parentis.

OF the Father's heart begotten,
Ere the world from chaos rose,
He is Alpha: from that Fountain
All that is and hath been flows;
He is Omega, of all things
Yet to come the mystic Close,
Evermore and evermore.

2 By his word was all created;
He commanded and 'twas done;
Earth and sky and boundless ocean,
Universe of three in one,
All that sees the moon's soft radiance,
All that breathes beneath the sun,

3* He assumed this mortal body,
Frail and feeble, doomed to die,
That the race from dust created
Might not perish utterly,
Which the dreadful Law had sentenced
In the depths of hell to lie,

4 O how blest that wondrous birthday,
When the Maid the curse retrieved,
Brought to birth mankind's salvation,
By the Holy Ghost conceived;
And the Babe, the world's Redeemer,
In her loving arms received,

5 This is he, whom seer and sybil
Sang in ages long gone by;
This is he of old revealèd
In the page of prophecy;
Lo! he comes, the promised Saviour;
Let the world his praises cry!

6 Sing, ye heights of heaven, his praises;
Angels and Archangels, sing!
Wheresoe'er ye be, ye faithful,
Let your joyous anthems ring,
Every tongue his name confessing,
Countless voices answering,

7*Hail! thou Judge of souls departed;
Hail! of all the living King!
On the Father's right hand thronèd,
Through his courts thy praises ring,
Till at last for all offences
Righteous judgement thou shalt bring,

At the entrance into the Choir.

8 Now let old and young uniting
Chant to thee harmonious lays,
Maid and matron hymn thy glory,
Infant lips their anthem raise,
Boys and girls together singing
With pure heart their song of praise,

9.*Let the storm and summer sunshine,
Gliding stream and sounding shore,
Sea and forest, frost and zephyr,
Day and night their Lord adore;
Let creation join to laud thee
Through the ages evermore,

At the Sanctuary step.

℣. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

℟. God is the Lord who hath showed us light.

Collect for Christmas Day.

A SECOND CHRISTMAS PROCESSION.

614 *18th cent. Tr. F. Oakeley, W. T. Brooke, and others.*
Adeste, fideles.

O COME, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold him
Born the King of Angels:
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

2 God of God,
Light of Light,
Lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb;
Very God,
Begotten, not created:

3 See how the Shepherds,
Summoned to his cradle,
Leaving their flocks, draw nigh with lowly fear;
We too will thither
Bend our joyful footsteps:

4* Lo! star-led chieftains,
Magi, Christ adoring,
Offer him incense, gold, and myrrh;
We to the Christ Child
Bring our hearts' oblations:

5 Child, for us sinners
Poor and in the manger,
Fain we embrace thee, with awe and love;
Who would not love thee,
Loving us so dearly?

6 Sing, choirs of Angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;
Glory to God
In the Highest:

At the entrance into the Choir.

7. Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
Born this happy morning,
Jesu, to thee be glory given;
Word of the Father,
Now in flesh appearing:

At the Sanctuary step.

℣. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
℟. God is the Lord, who hath showed us light.

Collect for Lady Day.

EPIPHANY PROCESSION.

615 *G. Thring*, 1823-1903.

FROM the eastern mountains
Pressing on they come,
Wise men in their wisdom,
To his humble home;
Stirred by deep devotion,
Hasting from afar,
Ever journeying onward,
Guided by a star.

2 There their Lord and Saviour
Meek and lowly lay,
Wondrous light that led them
Onward on their way,
Ever now to lighten
Nations from afar,
As they journey homeward
By that guiding star.

3 Thou who in a manger
Once hast lowly lain,
Who dost now in glory
O'er all kingdoms reign,

Gather in the heathen,
Who in lands afar
Ne'er have seen the brightness
Of thy guiding star.

4 Gather in the outcasts,
All who've gone astray,
Throw thy radiance o'er them,
Guide them on their way;
Those who never knew thee,
Those who've wandered far,
Guide them by the brightness
Of thy guiding star.

5 Onward through the darkness
Of the lonely night,
Shining still before them
With thy kindly light,
Guide them, Jew and Gentile,
Homeward from afar,
Young and old together,
By thy guiding star.

6 *. Until every nation,
Whether bond or free,
'Neath thy star-lit banner,
Jesu, follows thee,
O'er the distant mountains
To that heavenly home
Where nor sin nor sorrow
Evermore shall come.

616 *At the entrance into the Choir. Basil Woodd*, 1760-1831.

HAIL, thou Source of every blessing,
Sovereign Father of mankind!
Gentiles now, thy grace possessing,
In thy courts admission find.

2* Once far off, but now invited,
We approach thy sacred throne;
In thy covenant united,
Reconciled, redeemed, made one.

3* Now revealed to eastern sages,
See the Star of mercy shine,
Mystery hid in former ages,
Mystery great of love divine.

4. Hail, thou universal Saviour!
Gentiles now their offerings bring,
In thy temple seek thy favour,
Jesus Christ, our Lord and King.

At the Sanctuary step.

℣. The voice of the Lord is upon the waters.
℟. The Lord is upon many waters.

Collect for the Epiphany.

PALM SUNDAY.

617 *Anthems during the Distribution of Palms. Sarum Processional.*

The children of the Hebrews, carrying palms and olive-branches, went forth to meet the Lord, crying out and saying, Hosanna in the highest!

The children of the Hebrews spread in the way their clothes and garments, and cried, saying, Hosanna to the Son of David: Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord!

618 *The prophetic Anthem. Sarum Processional.*

O Jerusalem, look toward the East, and behold: lift up thine eyes, O Jerusalem, and behold the power of thy King!

619 *If required, the following Carol may also be sung.*
G. Moultrie, 1829–85.

COME, faithful people, come away,
Your homage to your Monarch pay;
It is the feast of palms to-day.
Hosanna in the highest!

2 When Christ, the Lord of all, drew nigh
On Sunday morn to Bethany,
He called two loved ones standing by:

3 'To yonder village go,' said he,
'An ass and foal tied shall ye see,
Loose them and bring them unto me:'

4* 'If any man dispute your word,
Say, "They are needed by the Lord,"
And he permission will accord:'

5 The two upon their errand sped,
And found the ass as he had said,
And on the colt their clothes they spread:

6 They set him on his throne so rude;
Before him went the multitude,
And in the way their garments strewed:

7* Go, Saviour, thus to triumph borne,
Thy crown shall be the wreath of thorn,
Thy royal garb the robe of scorn:

8* They thronged before, behind, around,
They cast palm-branches on the ground,
And still rose up the joyful sound:

9* 'Blessèd is Israel's King,' they cry;
'Blessèd is he that cometh nigh
In name of God the Lord most high:'

10. Thus, Saviour, to thy Passion go,
Arrayed in royalty of woe,
Assumed for sinners here below:

620 *And this Hymn.* *H. H. Milman*, 1791–1868.

RIDE on! ride on in majesty!
Hark, all the tribes hosanna cry;
Thine humble beast pursues his road
With palms and scattered garments strowed.

2 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die:
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin
O'er captive death and conquered sin.

3 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
The wingèd squadrons of the sky
Look down with sad and wondering eyes
To see the approaching sacrifice.

4 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;
The Father, on his sapphire throne,
Expects his own anointed Son.

5. Ride on! ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
Bow thy meek head to mortal pain,
Then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

The Gospel. St. Matthew xxi. 1–9.

621 *At the Procession.* *St. Theodulph of Orleans, d.* 821. (*Sarum Processional.*) *Tr. W. J. B., and others.*

Gloria, laus et honor.

GLORY and praise and dominion be thine, King Christ the Redeemer:
Children in sweetness and grace raised their hosannas to thee.

2 Israel's King art thou, King David's glorious offspring,
Thou that approachest, a King, blest in the name of the Lord.

3 Thee in the height extol thine Angels, thronging around thee,
Man with nature on earth joining, in act to adore.

4. Palm leaves bearing on high came Hebrew crowds to thy welcome;
We with our prayers and our hymns now to thy presence draw near.

622 *Or this Version of the above.* *Tr. J. M. Neale*‡.

ALL glory, laud, and honour
To thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.

2 Thou art the King of Israel,
Thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest,
The King and blessèd One.

3 The company of Angels
Are praising thee on high,
And mortal men and all things
Created make reply.

4 The people of the Hebrews
With palms before thee went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems
Before thee we present.

5 To thee before thy passion
They sang their hymns of praise;
To thee now high exalted
Our melody we raise.

6. Thou didst accept their praises,
Accept the prayers we bring,
Who in all good delightest,
Thou good and gracious King.

At the Chancel step.

O Saviour of the world, who by thy Cross and precious Blood hast redeemed us, save us and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

623 *At the entrance into the Choir.* *Claude de Santeüil, 1628–84. Tr. J. Chandler, and Sir H. W. Baker.*

Prome vocem, mens, canoram.

NOW my soul, thy voice upraising,
Tell in sweet and mournful strain
How the Crucified, enduring
Grief and wounds, and dying pain,
Freely of his love was offered,
Sinless was for sinners slain.

2* See, his hands and feet are fastened!
So he makes his people free;
Not a wound whence Blood is flowing
But a fount of grace shall be;
Yea, the very nails which nail him
Nail us also to the Tree.

3. Jesu, may those precious fountains
Drink to thirsting souls afford;
Let them be our cup and healing,
And at length our full reward:
So a ransomed world shall ever
Praise thee, its redeeming Lord.

At the Sanctuary step.

℣. Deliver me from mine enemies, O God.
℟. Defend me from them that rise up against me.

Collect for Palm Sunday.

EASTER-DAY: MORNING PROCESSION.

624 *Bishop Venantius Fortunatus*, 530–609.
(*Sarum Processional.*) *Tr. M. F. B.*

Salve, festa dies.

HAIL thee, Festival Day! blest day that art hallowed for ever;
Day wherein Christ arose, breaking the kingdom of death.

2 Lo, the fair beauty of earth, from the death of the winter arising,
Every good gift of the year now with its Master returns.

3 He who was nailed to the Cross is God and the Ruler of all things;
All things created on earth worship the Maker of all.

4 God of all pity and power, let thy word be assured to the doubting;
Light on the third day returns: rise, Son of God, from the tomb!

5 Ill doth it seem that thy limbs should linger in lowly dishonour,
Ransom and price of the world, veiled from the vision of men.

6* Ill it beseemeth that thou, by whose hand all things are encompassed,
Captive and bound shouldst remain, deep in the gloom of the rock.

7* Rise now, O Lord, from the grave and cast off the shroud that enwrapped thee;
Thou art sufficient for us: nothing without thee exists.

8 Mourning they laid thee to rest, who art Author of life and creation;
Treading the pathway of death, life thou bestowedst on man.

9 Show us thy face once more, that the ages may joy in thy brightness;
Give us the light of day, darkened on earth at thy death.

10* Out of the prison of death thou art rescuing numberless captives;
Freely they tread in the way whither their Maker has gone.

11*. Jesus has harrowed hell; he has led captivity captive:
Darkness and chaos and death flee from the face of the light.

625 *At the entrance into the Choir.* *Ascribed to 18th cent.*
Finita jam sunt praelia. *Tr. F. P.*

THE strife is o'er, the battle done;
Now is the Victor's triumph won;
O let the song of praise be sung.
Alleluya!

2 Death's mightiest powers have done their worst,
And Jesus hath his foes dispersed;
Let shouts of praise and joy outburst.

3 * On the third morn he rose again
Glorious in majesty to reign;
O let us swell the joyful strain.

4 *He brake the age-bound chains of hell;
The bars from heaven's high portals fell;
Let hymns of praise his triumph tell.

5. Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee
From death's dread sting thy servants free,
That we may live, and sing to thee.

At the Sanctuary step.

℣. The Lord is risen from the tomb.
℟. Who for our sakes hung upon the Tree.
Alleluya.

Collect for Easter Day.

EASTER-DAY: EVENING PROCESSION.

626 *Ascribed to 17th cent. Tr. J. M. Neale.*

O filii et filiae.

ALLELUYA! Alleluya! Alleluya!
Ye sons and daughters of the King,
Whom heavenly hosts in glory sing,
To-day the grave hath lost its sting.
Alleluya!

2 On that first morning of the week,
Before the day began to break,
The Marys went their Lord to seek.

3 An Angel bade their sorrow flee,
For thus he spake unto the three:
'Your Lord is gone to Galilee.'

4 That night the Apostles met in fear,
Amidst them came their Lord most dear,
And said: 'Peace be unto you here!'

5 When Thomas afterwards had heard
That Jesus had fulfilled his word,
He doubted if it were the Lord.

6 'Thomas, behold my side,' saith he,
'My hands, my feet, my body see;
'And doubt not, but believe in me.'

7 No longer Thomas then denied;
He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
'Thou art my Lord and God,' he cried.

8* Blessèd are they that have not seen,
And yet whose faith hath constant been,
In life eternal they shall reign.

9* On this most holy day of days,
To God your hearts and voices raise
In laud, and jubilee, and praise.

10*. And we with Holy Church unite,
As evermore is just and right,
In glory to the King of Light.

℣. The Lord is risen from the tomb.
℟. Who for our sakes hung upon the Tree. Alleluya.

Collect for Easter Even.

In returning up the Nave, Ps. 115, Non nobis Domine, *may be sung by Chanters and People in alternate verses, with* Alleluya *at the end of each verse.*

At the Chancel step all may stand, while verse 15, Ye are the blessed of the Lord, *to the end of the* Gloria Patri *is sung, followed by:*

℣. Tell it out among the heathen.
℟. That the Lord hath reigned from the Tree. Alleluya.

Collect for Palm Sunday.

627 *At the entrance into the Choir.* *T. Kelly* ‡, 1769–1854.

THE Lord is risen indeed!
Now is his work performed;
Now is the mighty Captive freed,
And death's strong castle stormed.

2 The Lord is risen indeed!
Then hell has lost his prey;
With him is risen the ransomed seed
To reign in endless day.

3. The Lord is risen indeed!
He lives, to die no more;
He lives, the sinner's cause to plead,
Whose curse and shame he bore.

At the Sanctuary step.

℣. O Lord, hear our prayer.
℟. And let our cry come unto thee.

Collect for Lady Day.

ASCENSION-DAY PROCESSION.

628 *Bishop Venantius Fortunatus* (530–609). (*Sarum Processional.*) *Tr. P. D.*

Salve, festa dies.

HAIL thee, Festival Day! blest day that art hallowed for ever;
Day when our God ascends high in the heavens to reign.

2 Lo, the fair beauty of earth, from the death of the winter arising,
Every good gift of the year now with its Master returns.

3 Daily the loveliness grows, adorned with the glory of blossom;
Heaven her gates unbars, flinging her increase of light.

4 Christ in his triumph ascends, who hath vanquished the devil's dominion;
Gay is the woodland with leaves, bright are the meadows with flowers.

5 Christ overwhelms the domain of Hades and rises to heaven;
Fitly the light gives him praise—meadows and ocean and sky.

6 Loosen, O Lord, the enchained, the spirits imprisoned in darkness;
Rescue, recall into life those who are rushing to death.

7* So shalt thou bear in thine arms an immaculate people to heaven,
Bearing them pure unto God, pledge of thy victory here.

8* Jesus the Health of the world, enlighten our minds, thou Redeemer,
Son of the Father supreme, only-begotten of God!

9* Equal art thou, co-eternal, in fellowship ay with the Father;
In the beginning by thee all was created and made.

10*. And it was thou, blessèd Lord, who discerning humanity's sorrow,
Humbledst thyself for our race, taking our flesh for thine own.

629 *At the entrance into the Choir.* 17*th cent. Tr. W. J. Blew.*

Supreme Rector caelitum.

O KING most high of earth and sky
On prostrate death thou treadest,
And with thy Blood dost mark the road
Whereby to heaven thou leadest.

2* O Christ, behold thine orphaned fold,
Which thou hast borne with anguish,
Steeped in the tide from thy rent side:
O leave us not to languish!

3. The glorious gain of all thy pain
Henceforth dost thou inherit;
Now comes the hour—then gently shower
On us thy promised Spirit!

At the Sanctuary step.

℣. God is gone up with a merry noise.
℟. And the Lord with the sound of the trump.
Alleluya!

Collect for Ascension-Day.

WHIT-SUNDAY PROCESSION.

630 *c.* 14*th cent.* (*York Processional.*) *Tr. G. G.*

Salve, festa dies.

HAIL thee, Festival Day! blest day that art hallowed for ever;
Day wherein God from heaven shone on the world with his grace.

2 Lo! in the likeness of fire, on them that await his appearing,
He whom the Lord foretold, suddenly, swiftly, descends.

3 Forth from the Father he comes with his sevenfold mystical dowry,
Pouring on human souls infinite riches of God.

4 Hark! in a hundred tongues Christ's own, his chosen Apostles,
Preach to a hundred tribes Christ and his wonderful works.

5 Praise to the Spirit of life, all praise to the Fount of our being,
Light that dost lighten all, Life that in all dost abide.

6 God, who art Giver of all good gifts and Lover of concord,
Pour thy balm on our souls, order our ways in thy peace.

7* God Almighty, who fillest the heaven, the earth and the ocean,
Guard us from harm without, cleanse us from evil within.

8*. Kindle our lips with the live bright coal from the hands of the Seraph;
Shine in our minds with thy light; burn in our hearts with thy love.

631 *At the entrance into the Choir.* *Foundling Hospital Collection* (1774).

SPIRIT of mercy, truth, and love,
Shed thy blest influence from above,
And still from age to age convey
The wonders of this sacred day.

2* In every clime, in every tongue,
Be God's eternal praises sung;
Through all the listening earth be taught
The acts our great Redeemer wrought.

3. Unfailing Comfort, heavenly Guide,
Over thy favoured Church preside;
Still may mankind thy blessings prove,
Spirit of mercy, truth, and love.

At the Sanctuary step.

℣. The Apostles did speak with other tongues.
℟. The wonderful works of God. Alleluya.

Collect for Whit-Sunday.

TRINITY SUNDAY PROCESSION.

632 *18th cent. Tr. R. F. Littledale ‡.*

Aeterna Lux, Divinitas.

ETERNAL Light, Divinity,
O Unity in Trinity,
Thy holy name thy servants bless,
To thee we pray, and thee confess.

2 We praise the Father, mighty One;
We praise the sole-begotten Son;
We praise the Holy Ghost above,
Who joins them in one bond of love.

3 For of the Father infinite
Begotten is the Light of light,
And from his love eternally
Proceeds the Spirit, God most high.

4 None can more high or holy be,
Co-equal is their Deity,
The substance of the Three is One,
And equal laud to them is done.

5 The Three are One Immensity,
The Three One highest Verity,
The Three One perfect Charity,
And they are man's Felicity.

6 O Verity! O Charity!
O Ending and Felicity!
In thee we hope, in thee believe,
Thyself we love, to thee we cleave.

7 Thou First and Last, from whom there springs
The Fount of all created things,
Thou art the Life which moves the whole,
Sure Hope of each believing soul.

8 * Thou who alone the world hast made,
Art still its one sufficing aid,
The only Light for gazing eyes,
And, unto them that hope, the Prize.

9. O Father, Source of God the Word,
O Word with him co-equal Lord,
O Spirit of like majesty,
O Triune God, all praise to thee. Amen.

633 *At the entrance into the Choir.* *Before 11th cent.*
Tr. J. D. Chambers t.

Ave, colenda Trinitas.

ALL hail, adorèd Trinity;
All hail, eternal Unity;
O God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, ever One:

2 * To thee, upon this holy day,
We offer up our thankful lay;
Thou hearest in thy love's great wealth,
And praising thee is all our health.

3 Three Persons praise we evermore,
One only God our hearts adore;
In thy sweet mercy ever kind
May we our sure protection find.

4. O Trinity! O Unity!
Be present as we worship thee;
And with the songs that Angels sing
Unite the hymns of praise we bring.

At the Sanctuary step.

℣. Blessèd be the name of the Lord.
℟. From this time forth for evermore.

Collect for Trinity Sunday.

DEDICATION FESTIVAL PROCESSION.

634 *c. 13th cent. (York Processional.)* *Tr. M. F. B.*

Salve, festa dies.

HAIL thee, Festival Day! blest day that art hallowed for ever;
Day when the Church, Christ's bride, is to her bridegroom espoused.

2 This is the house of God, a place of peace and refreshing;
Solomon here to the poor offers a treasure untold.

3 Scion of David is he who has called us to share in his glory;
Here in his Father's house God we shall find him and man.

4 Ye who have put on Christ are indeed his mystical body,
If ye have kept the faith, longed to become as your Lord.

5 Mystical also the new and the heavenly city of Sion,
Fitly adorned for her spouse, clad with the light from on high.

6 * Here, at his holy font, does the heavenly King and the righteous
Grace for their cleansing and growth grant to his people on earth.

7* Tower of David is this; here are pledges of life and salvation,
If with unwavering feet swift to this stronghold we run.

8* Here is the ark of God, a refuge of grace to the faithful;
Safe to the haven it bears mariners tossed by the waves.

9. Ladder of Jacob, by none but by thee we can mount to the heavens;
Grant that thy people, O Lord, thither ascending may reign.

635 *At the entrance into the Choir.* *I. Watts*, 1674–1748, *and J. Wesley.*

ETERNAL Power, whose high abode
Becomes the grandeur of a God,
Infinite lengths beyond the bounds
Where stars revolve their little rounds:

2 Thee while the first Archangel sings,
He hides his face behind his wings;
And ranks of shining thrones around
Fall worshipping and spread the ground.

3. Lord, what shall earth and ashes do?
We would adore our Maker too!
From sin and dust to thee we cry,
The Great, the Holy, and the High!

At the Sanctuary step.

℣. Blessèd are they that dwell in thy house.
℟. They will be alway praising thee.

Collect for St. Simon and St. Jude.

A SECOND DEDICATION FESTIVAL PROCESSION.

636 *c. 9th cent. Tr. M. J. Blacker.*

Christe cunctorum Dominator alme.

ONLY-BEGOTTEN, Word of God eternal,
Lord of Creation, merciful and mighty,
List to thy servants, when their tuneful voices
Rise to thy presence.

2 Thus in our solemn Feast of Dedication,
Graced with returning rites of due devotion,
Ever thy children, year by year rejoicing,
Chant in thy temple.

3 This is thy palace; here thy presence-chamber;
Here may thy servants, at the mystic banquet,
Daily adoring, take thy Body broken,
Drink of thy Chalice.

4 Here for thy children stands the holy laver,
Fountain of pardon for the guilt of nature,
Cleansed by whose water springs a race anointed,
Liegemen of Jesus.

5 Here in our sickness, healing grace aboundeth,
Light in our blindness, in our toil refreshment;
Sin is forgiven, hope o'er fear prevaileth,
Joy over sorrow.

6 Hallowed this dwelling where the Lord abideth,
This is none other than the gate of Heaven;
Strangers and pilgrims, seeking homes eternal,
Pass through its portals.

7 Lord, we beseech thee, as we throng thy temple,
By thy past blessings, by thy present bounty,
Smile on thy children, and with tender mercy
Hear our petitions.

8. God in Three Persons, Father everlasting,
Son co-eternal, ever-blessèd Spirit,
Thine be the glory, praise, and adoration,
Now and for ever. Amen.

637 *At the entrance into the Choir.* *G. Tersteegen*, 1697–1769. *Tr. J. Wesley.*

Gott ist gegenwärtig.

LO! God is here! let us adore
And own how dreadful is this place!
Let all within us feel his power,
And silent bow before his face,
Who know his power, his grace who prove,
Serve him with awe, with reverence love.

2. Lo! God is here! Him day and night
The united choirs of Angels sing;
To him, enthroned above all height,
Heaven's hosts their noblest praises bring;
To thee may all our thoughts arise
Ceaseless, accepted Sacrifice.

At the Sanctuary step.

℣. Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness.
℟. And let thy saints sing with joyfulness.

Collect for St. Simon and St. Jude.

PROCESSION FOR ANY SAINT'S DAY.

638 *F. B. P.* ‡ (*c.* 1580). *Based on St. Augustine*

JERUSALEM, my happy home,
When shall I come to thee?
When shall my sorrows have an end?
Thy joys when shall I see?

2 O happy harbour of the Saints!
O sweet and pleasant soil!
In thee no sorrow may be found,
No grief, no care, no toil.

3 In thee no sickness may be seen,
No hurt, no ache, no sore;
In thee there is no dread of death,
But life for evermore.

4 No dampish mist is seen in thee,
No cold nor darksome night;

There every soul shines as the sun;
There God himself gives light.
5 There lust and lucre cannot dwell;
There envy bears no sway;
There is no hunger, heat, nor cold,
But pleasure every way.

6 Jerusalem, Jerusalem,
God grant I once may see
Thy endless joys, and of the same
Partaker ay may be!

7 Thy walls are made of precious stones,
Thy bulwarks diamonds square;
Thy gates are of right orient pearl;
Exceeding rich and rare;

8* Thy turrets and thy pinnacles
With carbuncles do shine;
Thy very streets are paved with gold,
Surpassing clear and fine;

9* Thy houses are of ivory,
Thy windows crystal clear;
Thy tiles are made of beaten gold—
O God that I were there!

10* Within thy gates no thing doth come
That is not passing clean,
No spider's web, no dirt, no dust,
No filth may there be seen.

11 Ah, my sweet home, Jerusalem,
Would God I were in thee!
Would God my woes were at an end,
Thy joys that I might see!

Part 2.

(*If sung separately, may begin with ver.* 1.)

12 Thy Saints are crowned with glory great;
They see God face to face;
They triumph still, they still rejoice:
Most happy is their case.

13 We that are here in banishment,
Continually do mourn;
We sigh and sob, we weep and wail,
Perpetually we groan.

14 Our sweet is mixed with bitter gall,
Our pleasure is but pain,
Our joys scarce last the looking on,
Our sorrows still remain.

15 But there they live in such delight,
Such pleasure and such play,
As that to them a thousand years
Doth seem as yesterday.

16* Thy vineyards and thy orchards are
Most beautiful and fair,
Full furnishèd with trees and fruits,
Most wonderful and rare;

17* Thy gardens and thy gallant walks
Continually are green;
There grow such sweet and pleasant flowers
As nowhere else are seen.

18* There's nectar and ambrosia made,
There's musk and civet sweet;
There many a fair and dainty drug
Is trodden under feet.

19* There cinnamon, there sugar grows,
There nard and balm abound;
What tongue can tell, or heart conceive,
The joys that there are found!

(*This Part may conclude with ver.* 26.)

Part 3.

(*If sung separately, may begin with ver.* 1.)

20 Quite through the streets with silver sound
The flood of life doth flow,
Upon whose banks on every side
The wood of life doth grow.

21 There trees for evermore bear fruit,
And evermore do spring;
There evermore the Angels sit,
And evermore do sing;

22 There David stands with harp in hand
As master of the choir:
Ten thousand times that man were blest
That might this music hear.

23 Our Lady sings Magnificat
With tune surpassing sweet;
And all the Virgins bear their parts,
Sitting about her feet.

24 Te Deum doth Saint Ambrose sing,
Saint Austin doth the like;
Old Simeon and Zachary
Have not their songs to seek.

25 There Magdalene hath left her moan,
And cheerfully doth sing
With blessèd Saints, whose harmony
In every street doth ring.

26. Jerusalem, my happy home,
Would God I were in thee!
Would God my woes were at an end
Thy joys that I might see!

If the starred verses are omitted, Parts 1 *and* 2 *together will form a Procession of average length; or any Part separately will form a short Hymn suitable for general use.*

For Festivals of St. Mary the Virgin the following are also suitable:

218 Ye who own the faith of Jesus.

For other Saints'-days:

200 Joy and triumph everlasting.
252 Our Father's home eternal.
641 For all the Saints.

For Michaelmas.

245 Stars of the morning.

639 *At the entrance into the Choir.* *C. Wesley*, 1707–88.

THE Church triumphant in thy love,
Their mighty joys we know;
They sing the Lamb in hymns above,
And we in hymns below.

2 Thee in thy glorious realm they praise,
And bow before thy throne;
We in the kingdom of thy grace:
The kingdoms are but one.

3. The holy to the holiest leads,
From hence our spirits rise,
And he that in thy statutes treads
Shall meet thee in the skies.

640 *Or this, on festivals of St. Mary the Virgin.*
Bishop R. Heber, 1783–1826.

VIRGIN-BORN, we bow before thee:
Blessèd was the womb that bore thee;
Mary, Mother meek and mild,
Blessèd was she in her Child.
Blessèd was the breast that fed thee;
Blessèd was the hand that led thee;
Blessèd was the parent's eye
That watched thy slumbering infancy.

2. Blessèd she by all creation,
Who brought forth the world's salvation,
And blessèd they—for ever blest,
Who love thee most and serve thee best.
Virgin-born, we bow before thee:
Blessèd was the womb that bore thee;
Mary, Mother meek and mild,
Blessèd was she in her Child.

At the Sanctuary step.

℣. Be glad, O ye righteous, and rejoice in the Lord.
℟. And be joyful, all ye that are true of heart.

Collect for All Saints' Day.

641

Bishop W. W. How, 1823–97.

FOR all the Saints who from their labours rest,
Who thee by faith before the world confest,
Thy name, O Jesu, be for ever blest.
Alleluya!

2 Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress, and their Might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou in the darkness drear their one true Light.

3 O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
Fight as the Saints who nobly fought of old,
And win, with them, the victor's crown of gold.

4* O blest communion! fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.

5 And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph-song,
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.

6 The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest:
Sweet is the calm of Paradise the blest.

7* But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
The Saints triumphant rise in bright array:
The King of glory passes on his way.

8.* From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

642

H. Alford †, 1810–71.

FORWARD! be our watchword,
Steps and voices joined;
Seek the things before us,
Not a look behind;

Burns the fiery pillar
At our army's head;
Who shall dream of shrinking,
By our Captain led?
Forward through the desert,
Through the toil and fight;
Jordan flows before us,
Sion beams with light.

2 Forward, when in childhood
Buds the infant mind;
All through youth and manhood,
Not a thought behind;
Speed through realms of nature,
Climb the steps of grace;
Faint not, till around us
Gleams the Father's face.
Forward, all the life-time,
Climb from height to height;
Till the head be hoary,
Till the eve be light.

3 Forward, flock of Jesus,
Salt of all the earth,
Till each yearning purpose
Spring to glorious birth;
Sick, they ask for healing,
Blind, they grope for day;
Pour upon the nations
Wisdom's loving ray.
Forward, out of error,
Leave behind the night;
Forward through the darkness,
Forward into light.

4 Glories upon glories
Hath our God prepared,
By the souls that love him
One day to be shared;

Eye hath not beheld them,
Ear hath never heard;
Nor of these hath uttered
Thought or speech a word;
Forward, marching eastward,
Where the heaven is bright,
Till the veil be lifted,
Till our faith be sight.

5* Far o'er yon horizon
Rise the city towers,
Where our God abideth;
That fair home is ours:
Flash the streets with jasper,
Shine the gates with gold;
Flows the gladdening river,
Shedding joys untold.
Thither, onward thither,
In the Spirit's might;
Pilgrims to your country,
Forward into light.

6* Into God's high temple
Onward as we press,
Beauty spreads around us,
Born of holiness;
Arch, and vault, and carving,
Lights of varied tone,
Softened words and holy,
Prayer and praise alone:
Every thought upraising
To our city bright,
Where the tribes assemble
Round the throne of light.

7* Nought that city needeth
Of these aisles of stone;
Where the Godhead dwelleth
Temple there is none;

All the saints that ever
In these courts have stood
Are but babes, and feeding
On the children's food.
On through sign and token,
Stars amidst the night,
Forward through the darkness,
Forward into light.

8. To the Father's glory
Loudest anthems raise;
To the Son and Spirit
Echo songs of praise;
To the Lord Almighty,
Blessèd Three in One,
Be by men and Angels
Endless honour done.
Weak are earthly praises,
Dull the songs of night;
Forward into triumph,
Forward into light!

643

S. Baring-Gould, 1834-1924.

ONWARD, Christian soldiers,
Marching as to war,
With the Cross of Jesus
Going on before.
Christ the royal Master
Leads against the foe;
Forward into battle,
See, his banners go!
Onward, Christian soldiers,
Marching as to war,
With the Cross of Jesus
Going on before.

2 At the sign of triumph
Satan's legions flee;
On then, Christian soldiers,
On to victory.

Hell's foundations quiver
At the shout of praise;
Brothers, lift your voices,
Loud your anthems raise.

3 Like a mighty army
Moves the Church of God;
Brothers, we are treading
Where the Saints have trod;
We are not divided,
All one body we,
One in hope and doctrine,
One in charity.

4 Crowns and thrones may perish,
Kingdoms rise and wane,
But the Church of Jesus
Constant will remain;
Gates of hell can never
'Gainst that Church prevail;
We have Christ's own promise,
And that cannot fail.

5. Onward, then, ye people,
Join our happy throng,
Blend with ours your voices
In the triumph song;
Glory, laud, and honour
Unto Christ the King;
This through countless ages
Men and Angels sing.

644

E. H. Plumptre, 1821–91.

REJOICE, ye pure in heart,
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing;
Your orient banner wave on high,
The Cross of Christ your King.

2 Bright youth and snow-crowned age,
Strong men and maidens meek,
Raise high your free exulting song,
God's wondrous praises speak.

3 With all the Angel choirs,
With all the saints on earth,
Pour out the strains of joy and bliss,
True rapture, noblest mirth.

4 Your clear hosannas raise,
And alleluyas loud ;
Whilst answering echoes upward float,
Like wreaths of incense cloud.

5 With voice as full and strong
As ocean's surging praise,
Send forth the hymns our fathers loved,
The psalms of ancient days.

6 Yes on, through life's long path,
Still chanting as ye go,
From youth to age, by night and day,
In gladness and in woe.

7 Still lift your standard high,
Still march in firm array,
As warriors through the darkness toil
Till dawns the golden day.

8 At last the march shall end,
The wearied ones shall rest,
The pilgrims find their Father's home,
Jerusalem the blest.

9 Then on, ye pure in heart,
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing ;
Your orient banner wave on high,
The Cross of Christ your King.

10. Praise him who reigns on high,
The Lord whom we adore,
The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
One God for evermore. Amen.

645 *G. Thring*, 1823–1903.

SAVIOUR, blessèd Saviour,
Listen while we sing,
Hearts and voices raising
Praises to our King.
All we have we offer,
All we hope to be,
Body, soul, and spirit,
All we yield to thee.

2 Nearer, ever nearer,
Christ, we draw to thee,
Deep in adoration
Bending low the knee.
Thou for our redemption
Cam'st on earth to die;
Thou, that we might follow,
Hast gone up on high.

3 Great and ever greater
Are thy mercies here;
True and everlasting
Are the glories there;
Where no pain, nor sorrow,
Toil, nor care, is known,
Where the Angel-legions
Circle round thy throne.

4 Clearer still and clearer
Dawns the light from heaven,
In our sadness bringing
News of sins forgiven;
Life has lost its shadows,
Pure the light within;
Thou hast shed thy radiance
On a world of sin.

5 Brighter still and brighter
  Glows the western sun,
Shedding all its gladness
  O'er our work that's done;
Time will soon be over,
  Toil and sorrow past;
May we, blessèd Saviour,
  Find a rest at last.

6 Onward, ever onward,
  Journeying o'er the road
Worn by Saints before us,
  Journeying on to God;
Leaving all behind us,
  May we hasten on,
Backward never looking
  Till the prize is won.

7. Higher then and higher
  Bear the ransomed soul,
Earthly toils forgotten,
  Saviour, to its goal;
Where in joys unthought of
  Saints with Angels sing,
Never weary raising
  Praises to their King.

646 *T. Olivers*‡, 1725-99. *Based on the Yigdal.*

THE God of Abraham praise
  Who reigns enthroned above,
Ancient of everlasting days,
  And God of love:
To him uplift your voice,
At whose supreme command
From earth we rise, and seek the joys
  At his right hand.

2* Though nature's strength decay,
And earth and hell withstand,
To Canaan's bounds we urge our way
At his command.
The watery deep we pass,
With Jesus in our view;
And through the howling wilderness
Our way pursue.

3 The goodly land we see,
With peace and plenty blest;
A land of sacred liberty
And endless rest;
There milk and honey flow,
And oil and wine abound,
And trees of life for ever grow,
With mercy crowned.

4 There dwells the Lord our King,
The Lord our Righteousness,
Triumphant o'er the world and sin,
The Prince of Peace;
On Sion's sacred height
His kingdom he maintains,
And glorious with his Saints in light
For ever reigns.

5 Before the great Three-One
They all exulting stand,
And tell the wonders he hath done
Through all their land:
The listening spheres attend,
And swell the growing fame,
And sing, in songs which never end,
The wondrous name.

6 The God who reigns on high
The great Archangels sing,
And 'Holy, Holy, Holy,' cry,
'Almighty King!

Who was, and is, the same,
And evermore shall be:
Eternal Father, great I AM,
We worship thee.'

7* Before the Saviour's face
The ransomed nations bow,
O'erwhelmed at his almighty grace
For ever new;
He shows his prints of love,—
They kindle to a flame,
And sound through all the worlds above
The slaughtered Lamb.

8.* The whole triumphant host
Give thanks to God on high;
'Hail! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,'
They ever cry:
Hail! Abraham's God, and mine!
(I join the heavenly lays)
All might and majesty are thine,
And endless praise. Amen.

The following are also suitable:

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368 At the name of Jesus.
380 Come, ye faithful, raise the anthem.
392 For thee, O dear, dear country.
412 Jerusalem the golden.
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PART XI.

LITANIES, ETC.

LITANY OF THE ADVENT.

647 *R. F. Littledale*, 1833–90; *and T. B. Pollock.*

GOD the Father, God the Son,
God the Spirit, Three in One,
Hear us from thy heavenly throne:
Spare us, Holy Trinity.

2 Jesu, King of boundless might,
Jesu, everlasting Light,
Jesu, Wisdom infinite:
Hear us, Holy Jesu.

3 Thou whose wisdom all things planned;
Held by whose almighty hand
All things in their order stand:

4 Jesu, sole-begotten Son,
Jesu, high and holy One,
Jesu, chiefest Corner-stone:

5 God with us, Emmanuel,
Coming down as Man to dwell,
Vanquisher of death and hell:

6 Jesu, Sun of Righteousness,
Jesu, Mercy fathomless,
Jesu, ever near to bless:

7 Saviour, full of truth and grace,
Leaving thine eternal place,
To restore our fallen race:

8 Jesu, Father of the poor,
Jesu, Guard and Refuge sure,
Jesu, Holiness most pure:

9 Word by whom the worlds were made,
In a lowly manger laid,
Taught on earth a lowly trade:

10 Jesu, Healer of complaints,
Jesu, Strength of him that faints,
Jesu, Teacher of the Saints :
Hear us, Holy Jesu.

11 Good Physician, come to cure
All the ills that men endure,
And to make our nature pure :

12 Jesu, Fount with blessings rife,
Jesu, Bulwark in the strife,
Jesu, Way and Truth and Life :

13. Only Hope of those who pray,
Only Help while here we stay,
Life of those who pass away :

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Our Father.

℣. Thou art fairer than the children of men.
℟. Thou hast loved righteousness and hated iniquity.

Collect for Advent Sunday.

LITANY OF PENITENCE.

648 *T. B. Pollock* ‡, 1836–93.

GOD the Father, God the Son,
God the Spirit, Three in One,
Hear us from thy heavenly throne :
Spare us, Holy Trinity.

2 Father, hear thy children's call ;
Humbly at thy feet we fall,
Prodigals, confessing all :
We beseech thee, hear us.

3 Christ, beneath thy Cross we blame
All our life of sin and shame;
Penitent we breathe thy name:

4 Holy Spirit, grieved and tried,
Oft forgotten and defied,
Now we mourn our stubborn pride:

5 Love, that caused us first to be,
Love, that bled upon the Tree,
Love, that draws us lovingly:

6 We thy call have disobeyed,
Into paths of sin have strayed,
Have neglected and delayed:

7 Sick, we come to thee for cure,
Guilty, seek thy mercy sure,
Evil, long to be made pure:

8 Blind, we pray that we may see,
Bound, we pray to be made free,
Stained, we pray for sanctity:

9 Thou who hear'st each contrite sigh,
Bidding sinful souls draw nigh,
Willing not that one should die:

10 By the gracious saving call
Spoken tenderly to all
Who have shared man's guilt and fall:

11 By the nature Jesus wore,
By the stripes and death he bore,
By his life for evermore:

12 By the love that longs to bless,
Pitying our sore distress,
Leading us to holiness:

13 By the love so calm and strong,
Patient still to suffer wrong
And our day of grace prolong:

14 By the love that speaks within,
Calling us to flee from sin
And the joy of goodness win :
We beseech thee, hear us.

15 By the love that bids thee spare,
By the heaven thou dost prepare,
By thy promises to prayer :

16 Teach us what thy love has borne,
That with loving sorrow torn
Truly contrite we may mourn :

17 Gifts of light and grace bestow,
Help us to resist the foe,
Fearing what indeed is woe :

18 Let not sin within us reign,
May we gladly suffer pain,
If it purge away our stain :

19 May we to all evil die,
Fleshly longings crucify,
Fix our hearts and thoughts on high :

20 Grant us faith to know thee near,
Hail thy grace, thy judgement fear,
And through trial persevere :

21 Grant us hope from earth to rise,
And to strain with eager eyes
Towards the promised heavenly prize :

22 Grant us love thy love to own,
Love to live for thee alone,
And the power of grace make known :

23 All our weak endeavours bless,
As we ever onward press,
Till we perfect holiness :

24. Lead us daily nearer thee,
Till at last thy face we see,
Crowned with thine own purity :

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Our Father.

℣. Wash me throughly from my wickedness.
℟. And cleanse me from my sin.

Collect from the Commination.

LITANY OF THE PASSION.

649 *Anon.* 1867.

GOD the Father, seen of none,
God the sole-begotten Son,
God the Spirit, with them One:
Spare us, Holy Trinity.

2 Jesu, who for us didst bear
Scorn and sorrow, toil and care,
Hearken to our lowly prayer:
Hear us, Holy Jesu.

3 By that hour of agony
Spent while thine Apostles three
Slumbered in Gethsemane:

4 By the prayer thou thrice didst pray
That the cup might pass away,
So thou mightest still obey:

5 By the kiss of treachery
To thy foes betraying thee,
By thy harsh captivity:

6 By thy being bound in thrall,
When they led thee, one and all,
Unto Pilate's judgement-hall:

7 By the scourging thou hast borne,
By the purple robe of scorn,
By the reed, and crown of thorn:

8 By the folly of the Jews
When Barabbas they would choose,
And would Christ their King refuse:

9 By thy going forth to die
When they raised their wicked cry,
'Crucify him, crucify!'
Hear us, Holy Jesu.

10 By the Cross which thou didst bear,
By the cup they bade thee share,
Mingled gall and vinegar:

11 By thy nailing to the Tree,
By the title over thee,
On the hill to Calvary:

12 By thy seven words then said,
By the bowing of thy head,
By thy numbering with the dead:

13 By the piercing of thy side,
By the stream of double tide,
Blood and Water, thence supplied:

14 When temptation sore is rife,
When we faint amidst the strife,
Thou, whose death hath been our life:
Save us, Holy Jesu.

15 While on stormy seas we toss,
Let us count all things as loss,
But thee only on thy Cross:
Save us, Holy Jesu.

16. So, with hope in thee made fast,
When death's bitterness is past,
We may see thy face at last:
Save us, Holy Jesu.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Our Father.

℣. The chastisement of our peace was upon him.
℟. And with his stripes we are healed.

First Good Friday Collect.

650 *The Great Collect.* *Tr. J. B.*

Ὑπὲρ τῆς ἄνωθεν εἰρήνης.

LORD, to our humble prayers attend,
Let thou thy peace from heaven descend,
And to our souls salvation send:
Have mercy, Lord, upon us.

2 Rule in our hearts, thou Prince of Peace,
The welfare of thy Church increase,
And bid all strife and discord cease:

3 To all who meet for worship here
Do thou in faithfulness draw near;
Inspire with faith and godly fear:

4 O let thy priests be clothed with might,
To rule within thy Church aright,
That they may serve as in thy sight:

5 The sovereign ruler of our land
Protect by thine almighty hand,
And all around the throne who stand:

6 Let clouds and sunshine bless the earth,
Give flowers and fruit a timely birth,
Our harvests crown with peaceful mirth:

7 Let voyagers by land and sea
In danger's hour in safety be;
The suffering and the captive free:

8. Around us let thine arm be cast,
Till wrath and danger are o'erpast,
And tribulation's bitter blast:

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Our Father.

℣. Lord, thou hast been our refuge.
℟. From one generation to another.

Collect for Trinity xii.

LITANY OF THE CHURCH.

651 *T. B. Pollock*, 1836–96.

GOD the Father, God the Son,
God the Spirit, Three in One,
Hear us from thy heavenly throne:
Spare us, Holy Trinity.

2 Jesu, with thy Church abide,
Be her Saviour, Lord, and Guide,
While on earth her faith is tried:
We beseech thee, hear us.

3 Keep her life and doctrine pure,
Help her patient to endure,
Trusting in thy promise sure:

4 Be thou with her all the days;
May she, safe from error's ways,
Toil for thine eternal praise:

5 May her voice be ever clear,
Warning of a judgement near,
Telling of a Saviour dear:

6 All her ruined works repair,
Build again thy temple fair,
Manifest thy presence there:

7 All her fettered powers release,
Bid our strife and envy cease,
Grant the heavenly gift of peace:

8 May she one in doctrine be,
One in truth and charity,
Winning all to faith in thee:

9 May she guide the poor and blind,
Seek the lost until she find,
And the broken-hearted bind:

10 Save her love from growing cold,
Make her watchmen strong and bold,
Fence her round, thy peaceful fold:

11 May her priests thy people feed,
Shepherds of the flock indeed,
Ready, where they call, to lead:

12 Judge her not for work undone,
Judge her not for fields unwon,
Bless her works in thee begun:

13 For the past give deeper shame,
Make her jealous for thy name,
Kindle zeal's most holy flame:

14 Raise her to her calling high,
Let the nations far and nigh
Hear thy heralds' warning cry:

15 May her lamp of truth be bright,
Bid her bear aloft its light
Through the realms of heathen night:

16 May her scattered children be
From reproach of evil free,
Blameless witnesses for thee:

17 Arm her soldiers with the Cross:
Brave to suffer toil or loss,
Counting earthly gain but dross;

18. May she holy triumphs win,
Overthrow the hosts of sin,
Gather all the nations in:

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Our Father.

℣. Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness;
℟. And let thy saints sing with joyfulness.

Second Good Friday Collect.

SUITABLE FOR THE EVENING.

652 *The Litany of the Deacon.* *Tr. J. B.*

Ἀντιλαβοῦ, σῶσον, ἐλέησον.

GOD of all grace, thy mercy send;
Let thy protecting arm defend;
Save us and keep us to the end:
Have mercy, Lord.

2 And through the coming hours of night,
Fill us, we pray, with holy light;
Keep us all sinless in thy sight:
Grant this, O Lord.

3 May some bright messenger abide
For ever by thy servants' side,
A faithful guardian and our guide:

4 From every sin in mercy free,
Let heart and conscience stainless be,
That we may live henceforth for thee:

5 We would not be by care opprest,
But in thy love and wisdom rest;
Give what thou seest to be best:

6 While we of every sin repent,
Let our remaining years be spent
In holiness and sweet content:

7. And when the end of life is near,
May we, unshamed and void of fear,
Wait for the Judgement to appear:

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Our Father.

℣. Except the Lord keep the city.
℟. The watchman waketh but in vain.

Collect for Trinity xxi.

653

Anon ♮ 1867.

GOD the Father, God the Word,
God the Holy Ghost adored :
Spare us, Holy Trinity.

2 Spotless Lamb of God most high,
Manna coming from the sky :
Hear us, Holy Jesu.

3 Very Man and Word Divine,
Hidden under Bread and Wine :

4 Purest Victim, stainless Priest,
Thou the Host, and thou the Feast :

5 Bread of life, the Angels' food,
Cup of blessing, precious Blood :

6 Offering of most perfect might,
Bond, thy faithful to unite :

7 From the tempting lures of sin,
From all pride and lusts within :
Keep us, Holy Jesu.

8 From all unbelief in thee
Veiled in this great Mystery :

9 By thy sitting down to meat,
That last Passover to eat :

10 Through the dread and holy rite,
Founded on that awful night :

11 Through thy presence with us here,
When we draw thine altar near :

12 Help us, guide us, make us pure,
Give us blessings which endure :
Save us, Holy Jesu.

13 Lead thy pilgrims on their way,
Shine on us, unending Day :

14. When we draw our latest breath,
Feed us at the time of death :
Save us, Holy Jesu.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Our Father.

℣. Blessèd are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness ;
℟. For they shall be filled.

Collect for Easter ii.

CHILDREN'S LITANY.

654 *Cento.*

GOD the Father, God the Son,
God the Spirit, Three in One,
Hear us from thy heavenly throne :
Spare us, Holy Trinity.

2 Jesu, Saviour ever mild,
Born for us a little Child
Of the Virgin undefiled :
Hear us, Holy Jesu.

3 Jesu, by the Mother-Maid
In thy swaddling-clothes arrayed,
And within a manger laid :

4 Jesu, at whose infant feet
Shepherds, coming thee to greet,
Knelt to pay their worship meet :

5 Jesu, unto whom of yore
Wise men, hastening to adore,
Gold and myrrh and incense bore :

6 Jesu, to thy temple brought,
Whom, by thy good Spirit taught,
Simeon and Anna sought :

7 Jesu, who didst deign to flee
From King Herod's cruelty
In thy earliest infancy :

8 Jesu, whom thy Mother found
'Midst the doctors sitting round,
Marvelling at thy words profound :

Part 2.

9 From all pride and vain conceit,
From all spite and angry heat,
From all lying and deceit :
Save us, Holy Jesu.

10 From all sloth and idleness,
From not caring for distress,
From all lust and greediness :

11 From refusing to obey,
From the love of our own way,
From forgetfulness to pray :

Part 3.

12 By thy birth and early years,
By thine infant wants and fears,
By thy sorrows and thy tears,
Save us, Holy Jesu.

13 By thy pattern bright and pure,
By the pains thou didst endure
Our salvation to procure :

14 By thy wounds and thorn-crowned head,
By thy Blood for sinners shed,
By thy rising from the dead :

15 By the name we bow before,
Human name, which evermore
All the hosts of heaven adore :

16. By thine own unconquered might,
By thy glory in the height,
By thy mercies infinite:
Save us, Holy Jesu.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Our Father.

℣. Lord, hear our prayer;
℟. And let our cry come unto thee.

Collect for Trinity ix.

COMMENDATORY LITANY.

655 *R. F. Littledale*, 1833–90.

GOD the Father, God the Son,
Holy Ghost, the Comforter,
Ever blessèd Three in One,
Hearken to our humble prayer:
Hear us when we call to thee,
Spare us, Holy Trinity.

2 Hear us, Son of God, O hear!
We approach thee for our dead;
Lead *them*, in the vale of fear,
Be thy wings around *them* spread:
Lord of life and love, we pray,
Grant them *mercy in that day.*

3 Child of Mary, who didst bear
Mortal flesh, for man to die;
Child of sorrow, toil, and care,
Grant *them* rest eternally:

4 Dweller in the vale of death,
Second Adam, Source of Life,
Wearer of the thorny wreath,
Victor in the deadly strife:

5 Thou who didst let fall the tear
On the grave of Bethany ;
Who at Nain didst stay the bier
That lone mother's tear to dry :

6 Thou whose voice could wake the dead,
'Maid ! I say to thee, arise !'
Who didst bow thy dying head
On the day of sacrifice :

7 Thou who passedst through the gloom
Which enshrouds the vale of death,
Guide *their* footsteps through the tomb,
Shelter *them* thine arms beneath :

8*By thy flesh with scourges torn,
By thy suffering human soul,
By the crown of woven thorn,
By the mocking title-scroll :

9*By the quiet rock-hewn cave,
Where thy body slept so well,
When thy Spirit, through the grave,
Entered to the realms of hell :

10*By thy preaching of the Christ
To the souls in prison bound,
When was rolled away the mist
Which had hung their vision round :

11*By the eternal Sacrifice
Which thou pleadest at the throne,
Only gift which can suffice,
For that gift is all thine own :

12*By the Offering which we plead.
One with thine in heaven above,
By the Lamb whose five wounds bleed,
To fill full our Cup of Love :

13*In the fell and fearful day,
Day of fury and of ire,
When the earth shall melt away
In the thunder-blast of fire :

14.* When to hear the doom are met
Saints and sinners, quick and dead,
And the great white throne is set,
And the books are open spread:
Lord of life and love, we pray,
Grant them *mercy in that day.*

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Our Father.

℣. I heard a voice from heaven, saying unto me,
℟. Blessèd are the dead which die in the Lord.

Collect from the Burial Service.

THE STORY OF THE CROSS.

656 *E. Monro and M. D.*

THE QUESTION.

SEE him in raiment rent,
With his blood dyed:
Women walk sorrowing
By his side.

2 Heavy that Cross to him,
Weary the weight:
One who will help him stands
At the gate.

3 Multitudes hurrying
Pass on the road:
Simon is sharing with
Him the load.

4 Who is this travelling
With the curst tree—
This weary prisoner—
Who is he?

THE ANSWER.

5 Follow to Calvary,
Tread where he trod:
This is the Lord of life—
Son of God.

6 Is there no loveliness—
You who pass by—
In that lone Figure which
Marks the sky?

7 You who would love him, stand,
Gaze at his face;
Tarry awhile in your
Worldly race.

8 As the swift moments fly
Through the blest week,
Jesus, in penitence,
Let us seek.

THE STORY OF THE CROSS.

9 On the Cross lifted up,
Thy face I scan,
Scarred by that agony—
Son of Man.

10 Thorns form thy diadem,
Rough wood thy throne,
To thee thy outstretched arms
Draw thine own.

11 Nails hold thy hands and feet,
While on thy breast
Sinketh thy bleeding head
Sore opprest.

12 Loud is thy bitter cry,
Rending the night,
As to thy darkened eyes
Fails the light.

13 Shadows of midnight fall,
Though it is day;
Friends and disciples stand
Far away.

14 Loud scoffs the dying thief,
Mocking thy woe;
Can this my Saviour be
Brought so low?

15 Yes, see the title clear,
Written above,—
'Jesus of Nazareth'—
Name of love!

16 What, O my Saviour dear,
What didst thou see,
That made thee suffer and
Die for me?

THE MESSAGE OF THE CROSS.

17 Child of my grief and pain!
From realms above,
I came to lead thee to
Life and love.

18 For thee my Blood I shed,
For thee I died:
Safe in my faithfulness
Now abide.

19 I saw thee wandering,
Weak and at strife;
I am the Way for thee,
Truth and Life.

20 Follow my path of pain,
Tread where I trod:
This is the way of peace
Up to God.

THE RESOLVE.

21 O I will follow thee,
Star of my soul!
Through the great dark I press
To the goal.

22 Yea, let me know thy grief,
Carry thy Cross,
Share in thy sacrifice,
Gain thy loss.

23 Daily I'll prove my love
Through joy and woe;
Where thy hands point the way,
There I go.

24. Lead me on year by year,
Safe to the end,
Jesus, my Lord, my Life,
King and Friend.

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Our Father.

℣. I will declare thy name unto my brethren.
℟. In the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.

The three Good Friday Collects.

JERUSALEM.

656 A *William Blake*, 1757–1827.

AND did those feet in ancient time
Walk upon England's mountains green?
And was the holy Lamb of God
On England's pleasant pastures seen?
And did the countenance divine
Shine forth upon our clouded hills?
And was Jerusalem builded here
Among those dark satanic mills?

2. Bring me my bow of burning gold!
Bring me my arrows of desire!
Bring me my spear! O clouds, unfold!
Bring me my chariot of fire!
I will not cease from mental fight,
Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand,
Till we have built Jerusalem
In England's green and pleasant land.

Part XII.

INTROITS AND OTHER ANTHEMS.

THE INTROITS, ETC.

Note on Nos. 657 *to* 733. *For each day the Introit is given first in one paragraph, the* Gloria Patri *being for convenience omitted. In the second paragraph are given in their order—the Grail or Gradual* (**G**), *Alleluya* (**A**), *Tract (for the days between Septuagesima and Easter)* (**T**), *Offertory* (**O**), *and Communion* (**C**). *Sequences are included among the hymns.*

657 Advent Sunday. *Ad te levavi.* Unto thee, O Lord, lift I up my soul : O my God, in thee have I trusted, let me not be confounded ; neither let mine enemies triumph over me ; for all they that look for thee shall not be ashamed. *Ps.* Show me thy ways, O Lord : and teach me thy paths.

G. For all they that look for thee shall not be ashamed, O Lord. ℣. Make known to me thy ways, O Lord : and teach me thy paths. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Show us thy mercy, O Lord : and grant us thy salvation. **O.** Unto thee . . . ashamed (*as Introit*). **C.** The Lord shall show loving-kindness : and our land shall give her increase.

658 Advent ii. *Populus Sion.* O people of Sion, behold, the Lord is nigh at hand to redeem the nations : and in the gladness of your heart the Lord shall cause his glorious voice to be heard. *Ps.* Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel : thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep.

G. Out of Sion hath God appeared : in perfect beauty. ℣. Gather my saints together unto me : those that have made a covenant with me with

sacrifice. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. For the powers of heaven shall be shaken : and then shall they see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. **O.** Wilt not thou turn again, O God, and quicken us ; that thy people may rejoice in thee : show us thy mercy, O Lord ; and grant us thy salvation. **C.** Jerusalem, haste thee, and stand on high : and behold the joy and gladness, which cometh unto thee from God thy Saviour.

659 ADVENT iii. *Gaudete.* Rejoice ye in the Lord alway : and again I say, rejoice ye ; let your moderation be known unto all men ; the Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing, nor troubled ; but in all things, by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God. *Ps.* And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding : shall keep your hearts and minds.

G. Show thyself, O Lord, thou that sittest upon the Cherubim : stir up thy strength and come. ℣. Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel : thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Stir up thy strength, O Lord : and come and help us. **O.** Lord, thou art become gracious unto thy land : thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob ; thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people. **C.** Say to them that are of a fearful heart : Be strong, fear not ; behold, your God will come and save you.

660 ADVENT iv. *Memento nostri.* Remember us, O Lord, with the favour that thou bearest unto thy people : O visit us with thy salvation ; that we, beholding the felicity of thy chosen, may rejoice in the gladness of thy people, and may glory with thine inheritance. *Ps.* We have sinned with our fathers : we have done amiss, and dealt wickedly.

G. The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him : yea, all such as call upon him faithfully. ℣. My

mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord : and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy name. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Come, O Lord, and tarry not : forgive the misdeeds of thy people. **O.** Be strong, fear not ; behold, our God will come with a recompense : he will come and save us. **C.** Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a Son : and his name shall be called Emmanuel.

661 CHRISTMAS EVE (FALLING ON SUNDAY). *Hodie scietis.* To-day shall ye know that the Lord will come to deliver you : and at sunrise shall ye behold his glory. *Ps.* The earth is the Lord's, and all that is therein : the compass of the world, and they that dwell therein.

G. To-day shall ye know that the Lord will come to deliver you : and at sunrise shall ye behold his glory. ℣. Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep : show thyself also, thou that sittest upon the Cherubim, before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasses. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. On the morrow the iniquity of the earth shall be blotted out : and the Saviour of the world shall reign over us. **O.** Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors : and the King of Glory shall come in. **C.** The glory of the Lord shall be revealed : and all flesh shall see the salvation of our God.

662 CHRISTMAS-DAY (FIRST SERVICE). *Dominus dixit.* The Lord spake, and said unto me : Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee. *Ps.* Why do the heathen so furiously rage together : and why do the people imagine a vain thing ?

G. In the day of thy power shall the people offer thee free-will offerings with an holy worship : the dew of thy birth is of the womb of the morning. ℣. The Lord said unto my Lord : Sit thou on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.

A. Alleluya. ℣. The Lord said unto me : Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee. **O.** Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad : before the Lord, for he is come. **C.** The dew of thy birth is of the womb of the morning.

663 CHRISTMAS-DAY (LAST SERVICE). *Puer natus est.* Unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given ; and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called, Angel of mighty Counsel. *Ps.* O sing unto the Lord a new song : for he hath done marvellous things.

G. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God : O be joyful in God, all ye lands. ℣. The Lord hath declared his salvation : in the sight of the heathen hath he openly showed his righteousness. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. A hallowed day hath dawned upon us : come, ye nations, and worship the Lord ; for on this day a great light hath descended upon the earth. **O.** The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine ; thou hast laid the foundations of the round world, and all that therein is : righteousness and equity are the habitation of thy seat. **C.** Be joyful, O daughter of Sion ; sing praises, O daughter of Jerusalem : behold, thy King cometh ; he is righteous and having salvation.

664 ST. STEPHEN. *Etenim sederunt.* Princes moreover did sit, and did witness falsely against me ; and the ungodly pressed sore upon me : O Lord, my God, stand up to help me, for thy servant is occupied continually in thy commandments. *Ps.* Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way : and walk in the law of the Lord.

G. Princes also did sit and speak against me : wicked men have persecuted me. ℣. Help me, O Lord my God : save me for thy mercies' sake. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. I see the heavens opened : and

Jesus standing on the right hand of God. **O.** The Apostles chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost : whom the Jews stoned, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit, alleluya. **C.** Lo, I see the heavens opened, and Jesus standing on the right hand of the power of God : O Lord Jesus, receive my spirit, and lay not this sin to their charge, for they know not what they do.

665 St. John the Evangelist. *In medio ecclesiae.* In the midst of the congregation he opened his mouth ; and the Lord filled him with the spirit of wisdom and understanding : in a robe of glory he arrayed him. (*In Eastertide*, alleluya, alleluya.) *Ps.* A treasure of joy and gladness : hath he given him for an inheritance.

G. This saying went abroad among the brethren, that that disciple should not die. ℣. But, If I will that he tarry till I come : follow thou me. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. This is the disciple which testifieth of these things : and we know that his testimony is true. **O.** The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree : and shall spread abroad like a cedar in Libanus. **C.** Then went abroad this saying among the brethren, that that disciple should not die : yet Jesus said not, He shall not die : but, If I will that he tarry till I come.

666 Holy Innocents. *Ex ore infantium.* Out of the mouth of very babes, O God, and of sucklings, hast thou perfected praise : because of thine adversaries. *Ps.* O Lord, our Governor : how excellent is thy name in all the world.

G. Our soul is escaped even as a bird : out of the snare of the fowler. ℣. The snare is broken, and we are delivered : our help standeth in the name of the Lord, who hath made heaven and earth. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. The noble army of martyrs : praise thee, O Lord. **O.** Our soul is escaped, even as a bird out of the

snare of the fowler : the snare is broken, and we are delivered. **C.** In Rama a voice was heard, lamentation, and great mourning : Rachel weeping for her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not.

667 SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS-DAY. *Dum medium silentium.* Whenas all the world was in profoundest quietness, and night was in the midst of her swift course : thine almighty Word, O Lord, leaped down from heaven out of thy royal throne. *Ps.* The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel : the Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with strength.

G. Thou art fairer than the children of men : full of grace are thy lips. ℣. My heart is inditing of a good matter, I speak of the things which I have made unto the King : my tongue is the pen of a ready writer. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel ; the Lord hath put on his apparel and girded himself with strength. **O.** God hath made the round world so sure, that it cannot be moved : ever since the world began hath thy seat, O God, been prepared ; thou art from everlasting. **C.** Take the young Child and his Mother, and go into the land of Israel : for they are dead which sought the young Child's life.

CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD. *Puer natus est*, 663.

G., **O.**, *and* **C.**, 663. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the Prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son.

668 THE EPIPHANY. *Ecce advenit.* Behold, he appeareth, the Lord and Ruler : and in his hand the kingdom, and power, and dominion. *Ps.* Give the King thy judgements, O God : and thy righteousness unto the King's Son.

G. All they from Saba shall come, bringing gold and incense, and shall show forth the praises of the Lord. ℣. Arise and shine, O Jerusalem : for the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. We have seen his Star in the East, and are come with offerings to worship the Lord. **O.** The kings of Tharsis and of the isles shall give presents ; the kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts : all kings shall fall down before him ; all nations shall do him service. **C.** We have seen his Star in the East, and are come with our offerings to worship the Lord.

669 EPIPHANY i. *In excelso throno.* On a throne exalted I beheld, and lo, a Man sitting, whom a legion of Angels worship, singing together : behold, his rule and governance endureth to all ages. *Ps.* O be joyful in God, all ye lands : serve the Lord with gladness.

G. Blessed be the Lord God, even the God of Israel : which only doeth wondrous things. ℣. The mountains also shall bring peace : and the little hills righteousness unto the people. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands : serve the Lord with gladness. **O.** O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands : serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song. Be ye sure that the Lord he is God. **C.** Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? Behold, thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing. And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?

670 EPIPHANY ii. *Omnis terra.* All the earth shall worship thee, O God, and sing of thee : they shall sing praise to thy name, O Most Highest. *Ps.* O be joyful in God, all ye lands : sing praises unto the honour of his name: make his praise to be glorious.

G. The Lord sent his Word and healed them : and they were saved from their destruction. ℣. O that

men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Praise the Lord, all ye angels of his : praise him, all his host. **O.** O be joyful in God, all ye lands : sing praises unto the honour of his name. O come hither, and hearken, all ye that fear God : and I will tell you what the Lord hath done for my soul, alleluya. **C.** The Lord saith unto them : Fill the waterpots with water, and bear unto the governor of the feast. When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, he saith unto the bridegroom : Thou hast kept the good wine until now. This beginning of miracles did Jesus before his disciples.

671 EPIPHANY iii TO vi. *Adorate Deum.* All ye Angels of God, fall down, and worship before him : Sion heard, and was exceeding joyful, and the daughters of Juda were glad. *Ps.* The Lord is King, the earth may be glad thereof : yea, the multitude of the isles may be glad thereof.

G. The heathen shall fear thy name, O Lord : and all the kings of the earth thy majesty. ℣. When the Lord shall build up Sion : and when his glory shall appear. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. The Lord is King, the earth may be glad thereof : yea, the multitude of the isles may be glad thereof. **O.** The right hand of the Lord hath the pre-eminence; the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass : I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord. **C.** All wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth.

672 SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY. *Circumdederunt me.* The sorrows of death came about me, the pains of hell gat hold upon me : and in my tribulation I made my prayer unto the Lord, and he regarded my supplication out of his holy temple. *Ps.* I will love thee, O Lord my strength : the Lord is my stony rock, my fortress, and my Saviour.

G. The Lord will be a refuge in the time of trouble; and they that know thy name will put their trust in thee : for thou, Lord, hast never failed them that seek thee. ℣. For the poor shall not alway be forgotten; the patient abiding of the meek shall not perish for ever : up, Lord, and let not man have the upper hand. T. Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord : Lord, hear my voice. ℣. O let thine ears consider well : the voice of my complaint. ℣. If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss : O Lord, who may abide it? ℣. For there is mercy with thee : therefore shalt thou be feared. O. It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord : and to sing praises unto thy name, O Most Highest. C. Show thy servant the light of thy countenance, and save me for thy mercies' sake : let me not be confounded, O Lord, for I have called upon thee.

673 SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY. *Exsurge, quare.* Arise, O Lord, wherefore sleepest thou? awaken, and cast us not away for ever : wherefore hidest thou thy countenance, and forgettest our adversity and misery? our belly cleaveth unto the ground; arise, and save us, O Lord, our helper, and our deliverer. *Ps.* O God, we have heard with our ears : our fathers have told us.

G. Let the nations know that thou, whose name is Jehovah : art only the Most Highest over all the earth. ℣. O my God, make them like unto a wheel : and as the stubble before the wind. T. Thou hast moved the land, O Lord, and divided it : heal the sores thereof, for it shaketh. ℣. That they may triumph because of the truth. ℣. That thy Beloved may be delivered. O. O hold thou up my goings in thy paths, that my footsteps slip not : incline thine ear to me, and hearken unto my words : show thy marvellous loving-kindness, O Lord; thou that art the Saviour of them which put their trust in thee. C. I will go to the altar of God : even unto the God of my joy and gladness.

674 QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY. *Esto mihi.* Be thou my God and defender, and a place of refuge, that thou mayest save me : for thou art my upholder, my refuge, and my Saviour ; and for thy holy name's sake be thou my leader, and my sustainer. *Ps.* In thee, O Lord, have I put my trust, let me never be put to confusion : but rid me, and deliver me in thy righteousness.

G. Thou art the God that doeth wonders : and hast declared thy power among the people. ℣. Thou hast mightily delivered thy people : even the sons of Jacob and Joseph. **T.** O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands : serve the Lord with gladness. ℣. Come before his presence with a song. ℣. Be ye sure that the Lord he is God. ℣. It is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves : we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. **O.** Blessed art thou, O Lord ; O teach me thy statutes : with my lips have I been telling of all the judgements of thy mouth. **C.** They did eat, and were well filled, for the Lord gave them their own desire : they were not disappointed of their lust.

675 ASH-WEDNESDAY. *Misereris omnium.* Thou hast mercy on all things, O Lord, and hatest nothing which thou hast created : and winkest at man's iniquities, because they should amend, and sparest all men ; for they are thine, O Lord, thou lover of souls. *Ps.* Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me : for my soul trusteth in thee.

G. Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me : for my soul trusteth in thee. ℣. He shall send from heaven : and save me from the reproof of him that would eat me up. **T.** O Lord, deal not with us after our sins : nor reward us according to our wickednesses. ℣. Lord, remember not our old sins, but have mercy upon us, and that soon : for we are

come to great misery. ℣. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy name, O Lord : O deliver us and be merciful unto our sins, for thy name's sake. O. I will magnify thee, O Lord, for thou hast set me up, and not made my foes to triumph over me : O Lord, my God, I cried unto thee, and thou hast healed me. C. He who doth meditate on the law of the Lord day and night, will bring forth his fruit in due season.

676 LENT i. *Invocabit me.* He shall call on me, and I will hearken unto him; I will deliver him, and will bring him to honour; with length of days will I satisfy him. *Ps.* Whoso dwelleth under the defence of the Most High : shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

G. He shall give his Angels charge over thee : to keep thee in all thy ways. ℣. They shall bear thee in their hands : that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone. T. Whoso dwelleth under the defence of the Most High : shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. ℣. I will say unto the Lord, Thou art my hope and my stronghold : my God, in him will I trust. ℣. For he shall deliver thee from the snare of the hunter : and from the noisome pestilence. ℣. He shall defend thee under his wings : and thou shalt be safe under his feathers. ℣. His faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler : thou shalt not be afraid for any terror by night. ℣. Nor for the arrow that flieth by day : for the pestilence that walketh in darkness : nor for the sickness that destroyeth in the noonday. ℣. A thousand shall fall beside thee, and ten thousand at thy right hand : but it shall not come nigh thee. ℣. For he shall give his Angels charge over thee : to keep thee in all thy ways. ℣. They shall bear thee in their hands : that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone. ℣. Thou shalt go upon the lion and adder : the young lion and the dragon shalt thou tread under thy feet. ℣. Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will

I deliver him : I will set him up, because he hath known my name. ℣. He shall call upon me, and I will hear him : yea, I am with him in trouble. ℣. I will deliver him and bring him to honour : with long life will I satisfy him, and show him my salvation. O. He shall defend thee under his wings, and thou shalt be safe under his feathers : his faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler. C. Whoso drinketh of the water that I shall give him, saith the Lord, it shall be in him a well of water springing up unto life eternal.

677 LENT ii. *Reminiscere.* Call to remembrance thy tender compassion and mercy, O Lord, and thy loving-kindnesses towards us, which have been ever of old : neither suffer our enemies to triumph against us ; deliver us, O God of Israel, out of all our misery and trouble. *Ps.* Unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul : my God, in thee have I trusted, let me not be confounded.

G. The sorrows of my heart are enlarged : O bring thou me out of my troubles, O Lord. ℣. Look upon my adversity and misery : and forgive me all my sin. T. The Lord said unto the woman of Canaan, It is not meet to take the children's bread : and to cast it to dogs. ℣. And she said, Truth, Lord : yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their master's table. ℣. Jesus said unto her, O woman, great is thy faith : be it unto thee even as thou wilt. O. My delight shall be in thy commandments, which I have loved ; my hands also will I lift up unto thy commandments, which I have loved. C. Consider my meditation : O hearken thou unto the voice of my calling, my King and my God : for unto thee will I make my prayer, O Lord.

678 LENT iii. *Oculi mei.* Mine eyes are ever towards the Lord, for he shall pluck my feet out of the net : look thou upon me, and have mercy upon me, for I am desolate, afflicted,

and in misery. *Ps.* Unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul : my God, in thee have I trusted, let me not be confounded.

G. Up, Lord, and let not man have the upper hand : let the heathen be judged in thy sight. ℣. While mine enemies are driven back : they shall fall and perish at thy presence. **T.** Unto thee lift I up mine eyes : O thou that dwellest in the heavens. ℣. Behold, even as the eyes of servants : look unto the hand of their masters. ℣. And as the eyes of a maiden : unto the hand of her mistress. ℣. Even so our eyes wait upon the Lord our God : until he have mercy upon us. ℣. Have mercy upon us, O Lord : have mercy upon us. **O.** The statutes of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart; sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb : moreover by them is thy servant taught. **C.** The sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest, where she may lay her young : even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God; blessed are they that dwell in thy house : they will be alway praising thee.

679 LENT iv. *Laetare.* Rejoice ye with Jerusalem; and be ye glad for her, all ye that delight in her : exult and sing for joy with her, all ye that in sadness mourn for her; that ye may suck, and be satisfied with the breasts of her consolations. *Ps.* I was glad when they said unto me : We will go into the house of the Lord.

G. I was glad when they said unto me : We will go into the house of the Lord. ℣. Peace be within thy walls, and plenteousness within thy palaces. **T.** They that put their trust in the Lord shall be even as the Mount Sion : which may not be removed, but standeth fast for ever. ℣. The hills stand about Jerusalem : even so standeth the Lord round about his people, from this time forth for evermore. **O.** O praise the Lord, for the Lord is gracious : O sing praises unto his name, for it is lovely. **C.** Jerusalem is built as

a city that is at unity in itself : for thither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord, to give thanks unto the name of the Lord.

680 PASSION SUNDAY. *Judica me.* Give sentence with me, O Lord, and defend the cause of my soul against the ungodly people : deliver me, and rid me from the deceitful and wicked man ; for thou, O Lord, art my God, and my strong salvation. *Ps.* O send out thy light and thy truth, that they may lead me : and bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy dwelling. *The* Gloria *is omitted during Passiontide.*

G. Deliver me, O Lord, from mine enemies : teach me to do the thing that pleaseth thee. ℣. It is the Lord that delivereth me from my cruel enemies, and setteth me up above mine adversaries : thou shalt rid me from the wicked man. **T.** Many a time have they fought against me from my youth up. ℣. May Israel now say : yea, many a time have they vexed me from my youth up. ℣. But they have not prevailed against me : the plowers plowed upon my back. ℣. And made long furrows : but the righteous Lord hath hewn the snares of the ungodly in pieces. **O.** I will give thanks unto the Lord with my whole heart; O do well unto thy servant, that I may live, and keep thy word : quicken thou me, according to thy word, O Lord. **C.** This is my Body, which is given for you ; this cup is the new Testament in my Blood, saith the Lord : this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me. *Or this, during Passiontide.* **C.** Deliver me not, O Lord, unto the will of mine adversaries : forasmuch as false witnesses have risen up against me, and against me have they breathed out cruelty.

681 PALM SUNDAY. *Domine, ne longe.* O Lord, remove not thy succour afar from me, have respect to my defence, and hear me : de-

liver me from the mouth of the lion; yea, from the horns of the unicorns hast thou regarded my cry. *Ps.* My God, my God, look upon me, why hast thou forsaken me : and art so far from my health, and from the words of my complaint?

G. Thou hast holden me by my right hand; thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and after that receive me with glory. ℣. Truly God is loving unto Israel, even unto such as are of a clean heart. Nevertheless, my feet were almost gone, my treadings had well nigh slipt : and why? I was grieved at the wicked, I do also see the ungodly in such prosperity. **T.** My God, my God, look upon me : why hast thou forsaken me? ℣. And art so far from my health; and from the words of my complaint? ℣. O my God, I cry in the daytime, but thou hearest not : and in the night season also I take no rest. ℣. And thou continuest holy : O thou worship of Israel. Our fathers hoped in thee : they trusted in thee, and thou didst deliver them. ℣. They called upon thee, and were holpen : they put their trust in thee, and were not confounded. ℣. But as for me, I am a worm, and no man : a very scorn of men, and the outcast of the people. ℣. All they that see me laugh me to scorn : they shoot out their lips, and shake their heads, saying : ℣. He trusted in God, that he would deliver him : let him deliver him, if he will have him. ℣. They stand staring and looking upon me : they part my garments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture. ℣. Save me from the lion's mouth : thou hast heard me also from among the horns of the unicorns. ℣. O praise the Lord, ye that fear him : magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob. ℣. They shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation; they shall come, and the heavens shall declare his righteousness : unto a people that shall be born, whom the Lord hath made. **O.** Thy rebuke hath broken my heart; I am full of heaviness : I looked for some to have pity on me, but there was no man, neither found I any to comfort me. They gave me

gall to eat : and when I was thirsty they gave me vinegar to drink. ℭ. O my Father, if this cup may not pass away from me, except I drink it : thy will be done.

682 MAUNDY THURSDAY, &c. *Nos autem.* But as for us, it behoveth us to glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ : in whom is our salvation, our life, and resurrection ; by whom we were saved, and obtained our freedom. *Ps.* God be merciful unto us, and bless us : and show us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us.

(*Also, with* Gloria *added, for the Invention of the Cross, and for Holy Cross Day. Good Friday and Easter Even have no Introit.*)

ℭ. (*Maundy Thursday and Holy Cross Day.*) Christ became obedient for our sakes unto death, even the death of the Cross. ℣. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him : and given him the name which is above every name. ℣. (*Good Friday only.*) Deliver me, O Lord, from the evil man : and preserve me from the wicked man. ℣. Who imagine mischief in their hearts : and stir up strife all the day long. ℣. They have sharpened their tongues like a serpent : adders' poison is under their lips. ℣. Keep me, O Lord, from the hands of the ungodly : and preserve me from the wicked men. ℣. Who are purposed to overthrow my goings : the proud have laid a snare for me. ℣. And spread a net abroad with cords : yea, and set traps in my way. ℣. I said unto the Lord, Thou art my God : hear the voice of my prayers, O Lord. ℣. O Lord God, thou strength of my health : thou hast covered my head in the day of battle. ℣. Let not the ungodly have his desire, O Lord : let not his mischievous imagination prosper, lest they be too proud. ℣. Let the mischief of their own lips fall upon the head of them : that compass me about. ℣. The righteous also shall give thanks unto thy name : and the just shall continue in thy sight.

A. (*Holy Cross Day only.*) Alleluya. ℣. Sweetest wood, sweetest iron, that bare so sweet a burden: which only was counted worthy to sustain the King of heaven and its Lord. **A.** (*Invention of the Cross only.*) Alleluya. ℣. Tell it out among the heathen: that the Lord hath reigned from the Tree. **O.** (*Maundy Thursday only.*) The right hand of the Lord hath the pre-eminence, the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass: I shall not die, but live; and declare the works of the Lord. **C.** (*Maundy Thursday only.*) The Lord Jesus, after he had supped with his disciples, and had washed their feet, said unto them: Know ye what I your Lord and Master have done to you? I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.

683 EASTER-DAY. *Resurrexi.* I am risen, and am still with thee, alleluya: thou hast laid thine hand upon me, alleluya; thy knowledge is too wonderful and excellent for me, alleluya, alleluya. *Ps.* O Lord, thou hast searched me out, and known me: thou knowest my down-sitting, and mine up-rising.

G. This is the day which the Lord hath made: we will be joyful and glad in it. ℣. O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious: and his mercy endureth for ever. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. **O.** The earth trembled and was still: when God arose to judgement, alleluya. **C.** Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us, alleluya: therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth, alleluya, alleluya, alleluya.

684 LOW SUNDAY. *Quasi modo.* As new-born babes, alleluya, desire ye the guileless milk of the word: alleluya, alleluya, alleluya. *Ps.* Sing we merrily unto God, our helper: make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob.

A. Alleluya. ℣. And after eight days, when the doors were shut, stood Jesus in the midst of his

disciples, and said : Peace be unto you. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. The Angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled away the stone, and sat upon it. **O.** 683. **C.** Christ being raised from the dead, dieth no more, alleluya : death hath no more dominion over him, alleluya, alleluya.

685 EASTER ii. *Misericordia Domini.* The loving-kindness of the Lord filleth the whole world, alleluya : by the Word of God the heavens were stablished, alleluya, alleluya. *Ps.* Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous : for it becometh well the just to be thankful.

A. Alleluya. ℣. I am the Good Shepherd : and know my sheep, and am known of mine. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. The Good Shepherd hath risen : who hath given his life for his sheep. **O.** O God, thou art my God, early will I seek thee : and lift up my hands in thy name, alleluya. **C.** I am the Good Shepherd, alleluya : and know my sheep, and am known of mine, alleluya, alleluya.

686 EASTER iii. *Jubilate Deo.* O be joyful in God, all ye lands, alleluya : sing ye praises to the honour of his name, alleluya ; make his praise to be exceeding glorious, alleluya, alleluya, alleluya. *Ps.* Say unto God, O how wonderful art thou in thy works, O Lord : through the greatness of thy power.

A. Alleluya. ℣. A little while, and ye shall not see me, saith the Lord Jesus : and again, a little while and ye shall see me, because I go to the Father. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. But I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice : and your joy no man taketh from you. **O.** Praise the Lord, O my soul; while I live will I praise the Lord : yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises unto my God, alleluya. **C.** A little while, and ye shall not see me, alleluya : and again, a little while and ye shall see me, because I go to the Father, alleluya, alleluya.

687 EASTER iv. *Cantate Domino.* O sing unto the Lord a new song, alleluya : for the Lord hath done marvellous things, alleluya ; in the sight of the nations hath he showed his righteous judgements, alleluya, alleluya. *Ps.* With his own right hand, and with his holy arm : hath he gotten himself the victory.

A. Alleluya. ℣. I go to him that sent me : but because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your hearts. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. I tell you the truth : it is expedient for you that I go away. **O.** O be joyful in God, all ye lands, sing praises unto the honour of his name : O come hither, and hearken, all ye that fear God, and I will tell you what the Lord hath done for my soul, alleluya. **C.** When the Comforter, the Spirit of Truth, is come : he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgement, alleluya, alleluya.

688 EASTER v. *Vocem jocunditatis.* With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard, alleluya : utter it even unto the ends of the earth ; the Lord hath delivered his people, alleluya, alleluya. *Ps.* O be joyful in God, all ye lands : sing praises to the honour of his name, make his praise to be glorious.

A. Alleluya. ℣. Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name : ask, and ye shall receive. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Christ being raised from the dead, dieth no more : death hath no more dominion over him. **O.** O praise our God, ye people, and make the voice of his praise to be heard ; who holdeth our soul in life, and suffereth not our feet to slip. Praised be God, who hath not cast out my prayer : nor turned his mercy from me, alleluya. **C.** O sing unto the Lord, alleluya, sing unto the Lord, and praise his name : be telling of his salvation from day to day, alleluya, alleluya.

689 ASCENSION-DAY. *Viri Galilaei.* Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up

into heaven? alleluya : in like manner as ye have seen him going up into heaven, so shall he come again, alleluya, alleluya, alleluya. *Ps.* And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven, as he went up : behold, two men stood by them in white apparel: which said unto them.

A. Alleluya. ℣. God is gone up with a merry noise : and the Lord with the sound of the trumpet. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Christ to highest heaven ascending, led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. **O.** God is gone up with a merry noise; and the Lord with the sound of the trumpet, alleluya. **C.** Sing ye to the Lord, who ascended to the heaven of heavens, to the sunrising, alleluya.

690 SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION-DAY. *Exaudi, Domine.* Consider, O Lord, and hear me, when I cry unto thee, alleluya : unto thee my heart hath said, Thy face, Lord, have I sought; thy face, Lord, will I seek; O hide not thou thy face from thy servant, alleluya, alleluya. *Ps.* The Lord is my light, and my salvation : whom then shall I fear?

A. Alleluya. ℣. God reigneth over the heathen : God sitteth upon his holy seat. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. I will not leave you comfortless : I go away and come again unto you, and your heart shall rejoice. **O.** Praise the Lord, O my soul; while I live will I praise the Lord : as long as I have any being I will sing praises unto my God, alleluya. **C.** Father, while I was with them in the world, I kept those that thou gavest me, alleluya : and now I come to thee; I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world : but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil, alleluya, alleluya.

691 WHIT-SUNDAY. *Spiritus Domini.* The Spirit of the Lord hath filled the whole world, alleluya : and that which containeth all

things hath knowledge of the voice, alleluya, alleluya, alleluya. *Ps.* Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered : let them also that hate him flee before him.

A. Alleluya. ℣. O send forth thy Spirit, and they shall be made : and thou shalt renew the face of the earth. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. The Holy Spirit, proceeding from the throne, came down in unseen majesty, as on this day, upon the Twelve, purifying their inmost hearts. **O.** Stablish the thing, O God, that thou hast wrought in us : for thy temple's sake at Jerusalem, shall kings bring presents unto thee, alleluya. **C.** I will not leave you comfortless : I will come to you yet again, alleluya : and your heart shall be joyful, alleluya, alleluya.

692 TRINITY SUNDAY. *Benedicta sit.* Blessed be the holy Trinity, and the undivided Unity : we will praise and glorify him, because he hath showed his mercy upon us. *Ps.* Let us bless the Father and the Son : with the Holy Spirit.

G. Blessed art thou, O Lord, which beholdest the great deep, and sittest upon the Cherubim. ℣. O bless the God of heaven, for he hath showed his mercy upon us. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Blessed art thou, O Lord God of our fathers, and worthy to be praised for evermore. **O.** Blessed be God, the Father, and the only-begotten Son of God, and blessed be the Holy Spirit : for the mercy he hath done unto us. **C.** Let us bless the God of heaven, and in the sight of all living will we give thanks unto him : because he hath done to us-ward after his loving-kindness.

693 TRINITY i. *Domine, in tua misericordia.* O Lord my God, in thy loving-kindness and mercy have I trusted, and my heart is joyful in thy salvation : I will sing unto the Lord, for he hath dealt lovingly with me. *Ps.* How long wilt thou forget me, O Lord, for ever : how long wilt thou hide thy face from me?

G. I said, Lord, be merciful unto me : heal my soul, for I have sinned against thee. ℣. Blessed is he that considereth the poor and needy : the Lord shall deliver him in the time of trouble. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Ponder my words, O Lord : consider my meditation. **O.** O hearken thou unto the voice of my calling, my King and my God : for unto thee, O Lord, will I make my prayer. **C.** I will speak of all thy marvellous works ; I will be glad, and rejoice in thee : yea, my songs will I make of thy name, O thou Most Highest.

694 TRINITY ii. *Factus est.* The Lord was my refuge and upholder, and he brought me forth into a place of liberty : he delivered me, because he delighted in me. *Ps.* I will love thee, O Lord my strength : the Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my Saviour.

G. When I was in trouble I called upon the Lord : and he heard me. ℣. Deliver my soul, O Lord : from lying lips : and from a deceitful tongue. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. God is a righteous Judge, strong, and patient : and God is provoked every day. **O.** Turn thee, O Lord, and deliver my soul : O save me for thy mercies' sake. **C.** I will sing of the Lord, because he hath dealt so lovingly with me : yea, I will praise the name of the Lord Most Highest.

695 TRINITY iii. *Respice in me.* Turn thee unto me, and have mercy upon me, O Lord : for I am desolate, and in tribulation ; look thou on mine affliction, and my travail ; and forgive me all mine iniquities, O my God. *Ps.* Unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul : my God, in thee have I trusted, let me never be confounded.

G. O cast thy burden upon the Lord : and he shall nourish thee. ℣. When I cried unto the Lord, he heard my voice : from the battle that was against me. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. I will love thee, O Lord, my strength : the Lord is my stony rock, my fortress, and my

Saviour. **O.** They that know thy name will put their trust in thee: for thou, Lord, hast never failed them that seek thee; O praise the Lord which dwelleth in Sion: for he forgetteth not the complaint of the poor. **C.** I have called upon thee, O God, for thou shalt hear me: incline thine ear unto me, and hearken unto my words.

696 TRINITY iv. *Dominus illuminatio mea.* The Lord is my light, and my salvation, whom then shall I fear: the Lord is the stronghold of my life, of whom shall I be afraid? when mine enemies pressed sore upon me, they stumbled and fell. *Ps.* Though an host of men were laid against me: yet shall not my heart be afraid.

G. Be merciful, O Lord, unto our sins: wherefore do the heathen say, Where is now their God? ℣. Help us, O God of our salvation: and for the honour of thy name, deliver us, O Lord. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. The King shall rejoice in thy strength, O Lord: exceeding glad shall he be of thy salvation. **O.** Lighten mine eyes, that I sleep not in death: lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him. **C.** The Lord is my strong rock, and my defence: my Saviour, my God, and my might.

697 TRINITY v. *Exaudi, Domine.* Consider, O Lord, and hear me, when I cry unto thee: be thou my succour, O cast me not away, neither forsake me utterly, O God of my salvation. *Ps.* The Lord is my light, and my salvation: whom then shall I fear?

G. Behold, O God, our defender: and look upon thy servants. ℣. O Lord God of hosts: hear the prayer of thy servants. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. In thee, O Lord, have I put my trust, let me never be put to confusion: rid me and deliver me in thy righteousness, bow down thine ear to me, make haste to help me. **O.** I will bless the Lord, who hath given me counsel: I have set God always before me; for he is on my

right hand, therefore I shall not fall. **C.** One thing have I desired of the Lord, which I will require : even that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

698 TRINITY vi. *Dominus fortitudo.* The Lord is the strength of his people, and a stronghold of salvation to his Anointed One : O Lord, save thine own people, and give thy blessing unto thine inheritance ; O feed them also, and set them up for ever. *Ps.* Unto thee will I cry, O Lord ; my God, be not silent unto me : lest, if thou make as though thou hearest not, I become like them that go down into the pit.

G. Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last : and be gracious unto thy servants. ℣. Lord, thou hast been our refuge : from one generation to another. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. O deliver me from mine enemies, O my God : defend me from them that rise up against me. **O.** O hold thou my goings in thy paths, that my footsteps slip not ; incline thine ear to me, and hearken unto my words, show thy marvellous loving-kindness : thou that art the Saviour of them which put their trust in thee, O Lord. **C.** I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with great gladness : I will sing, and speak praises unto the Lord.

699 TRINITY vii. *Omnes gentes.* O clap your hands, all ye people : O sing to God with the voice of joy and triumph. *Ps.* He shall subdue the people under us : and the nations under our feet.

G. Come, ye children, and hearken unto me : I will teach you the fear of the Lord. ℣. Come unto me and be enlightened : and your faces shall not be ashamed. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Thou, O God, art praised in Sion : and unto thee shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem. **O.** Like as in the burnt offerings of rams and bullocks : and like as in ten thousands of fat lambs ; so let our sacrifice be in thy sight this day,

that it may please thee : for they shall not be confounded that put their trust in thee, O Lord. **C.** Bow down thine ear to me : make haste to deliver me.

700 TRINITY viii. *Suscepimus.* We have waited, O God, for thy loving-kindness in the midst of thy temple : according to thy name, O God, so is thy praise also unto the world's end ; thy right hand is full of righteousness. *Ps.* Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised : in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill.

G. Be thou my strong rock and house of defence, that thou mayest save me. ℣. In thee, O Lord, have I put my trust : let me never be put to confusion. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Hear my law : O my people. **O.** Thou shalt save the people that are in adversity, O Lord : and shalt bring down the high looks of the proud, for who is God, but the Lord ? **C.** O taste and see how gracious the Lord is : blessed is he that putteth his trust in him.

701 TRINITY ix. *Ecce Deus.* Behold, God is my helper, the Lord is he that upholdeth my soul : reward thou evil unto mine enemies ; destroy them in thine anger, for thy righteousness' sake, O Lord my strength, and my defender. *Ps.* Save me, O God, for thy name's sake : and avenge me in thy strength.

G. O Lord our Governor : how excellent is thy name in all the world. ℣. Thou hast set thy glory : above the heavens. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Sing we merrily unto God our strength : make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob, take the psalm, the merry harp with the lute. **O.** The statutes of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart : sweeter also than honey, and the honeycomb ; moreover by them is thy servant taught. **C.** Seek ye first of all the kingdom of God : and all these things shall be added unto you, saith the Lord.

702 TRINITY X. *Dum clamarem.* When I called upon the Lord, he regarded my petition, yea, from the battle that was against me : and he hath brought them down, even he that is of old, and endureth for ever ; O cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall nourish thee. *Ps.* Hear my prayer, O Lord, and hide not thyself from my petition : take heed unto me, and hear me.

G. Keep me, O Lord, as the apple of an eye : hide me under the shadow of thy wings. ℣. Let my sentence come forth from thy presence : and let thine eyes look upon the thing that is equal. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. O Lord God of my salvation : I have cried day and night before thee. **O.** Unto thee, O Lord, lift I up my soul : O my God, in thee have I trusted, let me not be confounded : neither let mine enemies triumph over me : for all they that look for thee shall not be ashamed. **C.** Thou shalt be pleased with the sacrifice of righteousness, with the burnt offerings and oblations : upon thine altar, O Lord.

703 TRINITY XI. *Deus in loco sancto.* God in his holy habitation, it is he that maketh brethren to be of one mind in an house : he will give the dominion and pre-eminence unto his people. *Ps.* Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered : let them also that hate him flee before him.

G. My heart hath trusted in God and I am helped : therefore my heart danceth for joy, and in my song will I praise him. ℣. Unto thee will I cry, O Lord : be not silent, O my God, nor depart from me. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Lord, thou hast been our refuge : from one generation to another. **O.** I will magnify thee, O Lord, for thou hast set me up : and not made my foes to triumph over me ; O Lord, my God, I cried unto thee : and thou hast healed me. **C.** Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the

firstfruits of all thine increase : so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine.

704 TRINITY xii. *Deus in adjutorium.* Haste thee, O God, unto my rescue, and save me : O Lord, make haste to my deliverance : let mine enemies be ashamed and confounded, that seek after my soul. *Ps.* Let them be turned backward, and put to confusion : that wish me evil.

G. I will alway give thanks unto the Lord : his praise shall ever be in my mouth. ℣. My soul shall make her boast in the Lord : the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad. **A.** Alleluya! ℣. O come, let us sing unto the Lord : let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation. **O.** Moses besought the Lord his God, and said : Why, O Lord, doth thy wrath wax hot against thy people? turn from thy fierce wrath ; remember Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to whom thou swarest to give a land flowing with milk and honey : and the Lord repented of the evil which he thought to do unto his people. **C.** The earth, O Lord, is filled with the fruit of thy works : that thou mayest bring food out of the earth, and wine that maketh glad the heart of man ; and oil to make him a cheerful countenance : and bread to strengthen man's heart.

705 TRINITY xiii. *Respice, Domine.* Look, O Lord, graciously upon thy covenant, and forsake not the congregation of thy poor for ever : arise, O Lord, maintain thine own cause ; and be not unmindful of the voices of them that seek thee. *Ps.* O God, wherefore art thou absent from us so long : why is thy wrath so hot against the sheep of thy pasture?

G. Look upon thy covenant, O Lord : and forget not the congregation of the poor for ever. ℣. Arise, O Lord, maintain thine own cause : remember how the foolish man blasphemeth thee daily. **A.** Alleluya:

℣. For the Lord is a great God : and a great King over all the earth. **O.** My hope hath been in thee, O Lord : I have said, Thou art my God, my time is in thy hand. **C.** Thou hast given us Bread from heaven, O Lord : having every delight, and every taste of sweetness.

706 TRINITY xiv. *Protector noster.* Behold, O God, our defender, and look upon the face of thine Anointed : for one day in thy courts is better than a thousand. *Ps.* O how amiable are thy dwellings, thou Lord of hosts : my soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord.

G. It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord : and to sing praises unto thy name, O Most Highest. ℣. To tell of thy loving-kindness early in the morning : and of thy truth in the night-season. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. O give thanks unto the Lord, and call upon his name : tell the people what things he hath done. **O.** The Angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them : O taste and see how gracious the Lord is. **C.** The Bread that I will give is my Flesh : which I will give for the life of the world.

707 TRINITY xv. *Inclina, Domine.* Bow down, O Lord, thine ear to me, and hear me : O my God, save thy servant, that trusteth in thee : have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I have called daily upon thee. *Ps.* Comfort the soul of thy servant : for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

G. It is better to trust in the Lord : than to put any confidence in man. ℣. It is better to trust in the Lord : than to put any confidence in princes. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. My heart is ready, O God, my heart is ready : I will sing, yea, I will praise thee, with the best member that I have. **O.** I waited patiently for

the Lord, and he inclined unto me : he heard my calling, and hath put a new song in my mouth, even a thanksgiving unto our God. **C.** Whoso eateth my Flesh, and drinketh my Blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him, saith the Lord.

708 TRINITY xvi. *Miserere mihi.* Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I have called daily upon thee : for thou, O Lord, art gracious and merciful, and plenteous in thy loving-kindnesses toward all them that call upon thee. *Ps.* Bow down thine ear, O Lord, and hear me : for I am poor and in misery.

G. The heathen shall fear thy name, O Lord : and all the kings of the earth thy majesty. ℣. When the Lord shall build up Sion : and when his glory shall appear. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Ye that fear the Lord, put your trust in the Lord : he is their helper and defender. **O.** Look down, O Lord, to help me : let them be ashamed, and confounded together, that seek after my soul to destroy it ; look down, O Lord, to help me. **C.** O Lord, I will make mention of thy righteousness only : thou, O God, hast taught me from my youth up until now ; forsake me not, O God, in mine old age, when I am gray-headed.

709 TRINITY xvii. *Justus es, Domine.* Righteous art thou, O Lord, and true is thy judgement : deal with thy servant according unto thy merciful kindness. *Ps.* Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way : and walk in the law of the Lord.

G. Blessed is the people whose God is the Lord : and blessed are the folk that he hath chosen to him to be his inheritance. ℣. By the Word of the Lord were the heavens made : and all the hosts of them by the breath of his mouth. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. The right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass : the right hand of the Lord hath the pre-

eminence. **O.** I, Daniel, prayed unto the Lord my God, and said, Hear, O our God, the prayer of thy servant : cause thy face to shine upon thy sanctuary ; and behold, O God, this thy people, who are called by thy name. **C.** Promise unto the Lord your God, and keep it ; all ye that are round about him bring presents unto him that ought to be feared : he shall refrain the spirit of princes ; and is wonderful among the kings of the earth.

710 TRINITY xviii. *Da pacem.* Give peace, O Lord, to them that wait for thee, and let thy Prophets be found faithful : regard the prayers of thy servant, and of thy people Israel. *Ps.* I was glad when they said unto me : We will go into the house of the Lord.

G. I was glad when they said unto me : we will go into the house of the Lord. ℣. Peace be within thy walls : and plenteousness within thy palaces. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. I was glad when they said unto me : we will go into the house of the Lord. **O.** Moses consecrated an altar unto the Lord, offering burnt offerings upon it, and sacrificing peace offerings : and he made an evening sacrifice for a sweet-smelling savour unto the Lord God, in the sight of the children of Israel. **C.** Bring offerings and come into his courts : O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

711 TRINITY xix. *Salus populi.* I am the saving health of my people, saith the Lord God : out of whatsoever tribulation they shall pray to me, I will surely hear them ; and I will be their God for ever and ever. *Ps.* Hear my law, O my people : incline your ears unto the words of my mouth.

G. Let my prayer be set forth in thy sight : O Lord, as the incense. ℣. And let the lifting up of my hands be an evening sacrifice. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. They that put their trust in the Lord shall be even as the Mount Sion : he who dwelleth in Jerusalem may not

be removed, but standeth fast for ever. **O.** Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shalt thou refresh me, O Lord : thou shalt stretch forth thy right hand upon the furiousness of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me. **C.** Thou hast charged that we shall diligently keep thy commandments : O that my ways were made so direct, that I might keep thy statutes.

712 TRINITY XX. *Omnia quae fecisti.* Everything that thou hast brought upon us, O Lord God, thou hast done in righteousness and judgement : for we have trespassed against thee, and have not obeyed thy commandments ; but give glory and honour to thy name, and deal with us according to the multitude of thy tender mercies. *Ps.* Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised : in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill.

G. The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord : and thou givest them their meat in due season. ℣. Thou openest thine hand : and fillest all things living with plenteousness. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord : Lord, hear my voice. **O.** By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept : when we remembered thee, O Sion. **C.** Remember thy word unto thy servant, O Lord, wherein thou hast caused me to put my trust : the same is my comfort in my affliction.

713 TRINITY XXI. *In voluntate tua.* O Lord Almighty, everything is in subjection unto thee : and there is no man that is able to resist thy power ; for thou hast created everything, heaven and earth, and all the wonders which beneath the vault of heaven are contained ; thou art the Lord and King of all things. *Ps.* Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way : and walk in the law of the Lord.

G. Lord, thou hast been our refuge : from one generation to another. ℣. Before the mountains were

brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made : thou art God from everlasting, and world without end. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Praise the Lord, O my soul ; while I live will I praise the Lord : yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises unto my God. **O.** There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job, perfect and upright, and one that feared God : and Satan sought to tempt him ; and power was given him by the Lord over his possessions and over his flesh : and he destroyed all his substance and his sons, and he smote his flesh with sore boils. **C.** My soul hath longed for thy salvation : and I have a good hope in thy word ; when wilt thou be avenged of them that persecute me ? they persecute me falsely : O be thou my help, O Lord my God.

714 TRINITY xxii. *Si iniquitates.* If thou, O Lord, wilt be extreme to mark iniquities : Lord, who may abide it ? for unto thee belongeth mercy, O God of Israel. *Ps.* Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord : Lord, hear my voice.

G. Behold, how good and joyful a thing it is : brethren, to dwell together in unity. ℣. It is like the precious ointment upon the head : that ran down unto the beard, even unto Aaron's beard. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. He healeth those that are broken in heart : and bindeth up their wounds. **O.** Remember me, O Lord, King of all power : and put a well-ordered speech in my mouth, that my words may be pleasing in thy sight. **C.** I say unto you, there is joy among the Angels of God over one sinner that repenteth.

715 TRINITY xxiii, AND ALL FOLLOWING SUNDAYS UNTIL ADVENT. *Dicit Dominus.* Thus saith the Lord, I know the thoughts that I think towards you, thoughts of peace, and not of affliction : ye shall call upon me, and I will hearken unto you, and will bring again your captivity from

every nation. *Ps.* Lord, thou art become gracious unto thy land : thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob.

G. It is thou, O Lord, that savest us from our enemies : and puttest them to confusion that hate us. ℣. We make our boast of God all day long : and will praise thy name for ever. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. He maketh peace in thy borders : and filleth thee with the flour of wheat. **O.** Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord : Lord, hear my voice. **C.** Verily I say unto you, what things soever ye desire, when ye pray : believe that ye receive them, and it shall be done unto you.

716 Dedication of a Church. *Terribilis est.* O how dreadful is this place! this is the house of God, and gate of heaven : and men shall call it the Palace of God. (*In Eastertide*, alleluya.) *Ps.* The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel : the Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with strength.

G. This dwelling is God's handywork; it is a mystery beyond all price, that cannot be spoken against. ℣. O God, in whose presence the choirs of Angels are standing, graciously hear the prayers of thy servants. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. I will worship toward thy holy temple : and will sing praises unto thy name. *Or*, **T.** *Ps.* 84. 1–5. **O.** O Lord God, in the uprightness of mine heart I have willingly offered all the things; and now I have seen with joy thy people, which are present here; O Lord God of Israel : keep for ever this imagination of the heart of thy people. (*In Eastertide*, alleluya.) **C.** My house shall be called of all nations the house of prayer, saith the Lord : in it every one that asketh receiveth : and he that seeketh findeth, and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

717 An Apostle or Evangelist. *Mihi autem.* Right dear, O God, are thy friends unto me, and held in highest honour : their rule

and governance is exceeding steadfast. *Ps.* O Lord, thou hast searched me out, and known me : thou knowest my down-sitting, and mine up-rising.

G. Their sound is gone out into all lands : and their words unto the ends of the world. ℣. The heavens declare the glory of God : and the firmament showeth his handywork. **A.** Alleluya. I first will say to Sion, Behold, behold them ; and I will give to Jerusalem one that bringeth good tidings. *Or,* **T.** Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord : he hath great delight in his commandments. ℣. His seed shall be mighty upon earth : the generation of the faithful shall be blessed. ℣. Riches and plenteousness shall be in his house : and his righteousness endureth for ever. **O.** Thou shalt make them princes in all lands : they shall remember thy name, O Lord, from one generation to another. **C.** Ye which have followed me shall sit upon twelve thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel, saith the Lord.

718 A Martyr. *Gloria et honore.* With glory and worship hast thou crowned him : thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy fingers. *Ps.* O Lord our Governor : how excellent is thy name in all the world.

G. Thou hast set, O Lord : a crown of pure gold upon his head. ℣. Thou hast given him his heart's desire : and hast not denied him the request of his lips. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Thou hast (*as above*). **O.** With glory (*as Introit*). **C.** He that will come after me, let him deny himself : and take up his cross and follow me.

719 An Apostle or Martyr in Eastertide. *Protexisti.* Thou hast hidden me, O God, from the gathering together of the froward, alleluya : from the insurrection of the workers of iniquity, alleluya, alleluya. *Ps.* Hear my voice, O God, in my prayer : preserve my life from fear of the enemy.

A. Alleluya. ℣. Thou hast set, *as* 718. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. The righteous shall be joyful in the Lord, and shall put his trust in him : and all the upright of heart shall be thankful. **O.** The righteous (*as above*). **C.** *As* 718.

720 A Bishop. *Statuit ei.* The Lord hath established a covenant of peace with him, and made him a chief of his people : that he should have the priestly dignity for ever and ever. (*In Eastertide*, alleluya, alleluya.) *Ps.* My song shall be alway : of the loving-kindness of the Lord.

G. Behold a mighty prelate, who in his lifetime was pleasing unto God. ℣. There was none found like unto him, that observed the law of the Most High. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. The righteous shall blossom as the lily : and shall flourish for ever before the Lord. **O.** My truth also and my mercy shall be with him : and in my name shall his horn be exalted. **C.** *As* 718.

721 A Bishop. *Sacerdotes Dei.* O ye priests of God, bless ye the Lord : O ye holy and humble men of heart, exalt him for ever. (*In Eastertide*, alleluya, alleluya.) *Ps.* O all ye works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

A. Alleluya. ℣. The Lord loved him, and adorned him, and clothed him with a robe of glory. **G.**, **O.**, **C.** *As* 720.

722 A Confessor. *Os justi.* The mouth of the righteous is exercised in wisdom, and his tongue will be talking of equity : the law of his God is in his heart. *Ps.* Fret not thyself because of the ungodly : neither be thou envious against the evil doers.

G. I have found David my servant, with my holy oil have I anointed him : my hand shall hold him fast, and my arm shall strengthen him. ℣. The enemy shall not be able to do him violence : the son

of wickedness shall not hurt him. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. I have laid help upon one that is mighty : I have exalted one chosen out of the people. *Or*, **T.** 717. **O.** My truth also and my mercy shall be with him : and in my name shall his horn be exalted. **C.** Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents ; behold, I have gained beside them five talents more : Well done, thou good and faithful servant, thou hast been faithful over a few things ; I will make thee ruler over many things, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.

723 A Virgin. *Loquebar.* I have spoken of thy testimonies in the sight of princes, and was not confounded : and my delight hath been in thy commandments, which I have loved greatly. *Ps.* Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way : and walk in the law of the Lord.

G. Thou hast loved righteousness and hated iniquity. ℣. Wherefore God, even thy God : hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Full of grace are thy lips : because God hath blessed thee for ever. *Or*, **T.** Full of (*as above*). **O.** The virgins that be her fellows shall bear her company : and shall be brought unto thee. **C.** The Kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man that is a merchant, seeking goodly pearls : who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

724 Conversion of St. Paul. *Laetemur.* Rejoice we all, and praise the Lord, devoutly keeping this festival with due solemnity : wherein Paul, the blessed Apostle, by his wonderful conversion, did greatly illumine this present world. *Ps.* For the light of his holy preaching : and for the conversion of blessed Paul.

G. He that wrought effectually in Peter to the apostleship, was also mighty in me toward the Gentiles : and they perceived the grace that was given unto me. ℣. The grace of God which was

bestowed upon me was not in vain : but his grace ever abideth in me. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. The Apostle Paul, the chosen vessel : is very worthy to be extolled. **O.** How dear are thy friends unto me, O God : O how great is the pre-eminence of them. **C.** Amen, I say unto you, that ye which have forsaken all and followed me, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life.

725 Feasts of the Blessed Virgin.

The Purification. *Suscepimus* (700).

G. We have waited, O God, for thy loving-kindness in the midst of thy temple : according to thy name, O Lord, so is thy praise unto the world's end. ℣. Like as we have heard, so have we seen, in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. I will worship toward thy holy temple : and will sing praises unto thy name. *Or*, **T.** *Nunc dimittis.* **O.** Full of grace are thy lips : because God hath blessed thee for ever. **C.** It was revealed unto Simeon by the Holy Spirit, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Anointed.

The Annunciation. *Rorate, caeli.* Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness : let the earth open, and let her bring forth salvation. (*In Eastertide*, alleluya, alleluya.) *Ps.* And let righteousness spring up together : I the Lord have created it.

G. (*Before Easter.*) Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors : and the King of Glory shall come in. ℣. Who shall ascend unto the hill of the Lord : or who shall stand in his holy place? even he that hath clean hands and a pure heart. *And* **T.** And the Angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, Mary, full of grace : the Lord is with thee. ℣. Blessed art thou among women : and blessed is the fruit of thy womb. ℣. The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee : and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee. ℣. Therefore also that holy thing which

shall be born of thee : shall be called the Son of God. **A.** (*In Eastertide.*) Alleluya. ℣. And the Angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee : blessed art thou among women. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. (*One of those of the Resurrection.*) **O.** Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee : blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb. **C.** Behold, a Virgin shall conceive, and bear a Son : and his name shall be called Emmanuel.

726 St. Philip and St. James. *Exclamaverunt.* They cried unto thee, O Lord, in the time of their misery and trouble : and thou didst hear them from thy holy heaven, alleluya, alleluya. *Ps.* Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous : for it becometh well the just to be thankful.

A. Alleluya. ℣. The righteous man shall stand in great boldness : before the face of such as have afflicted him. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Did not our heart burn within us : while he talked with us by the way concerning Jesus? **O.** O Lord, the very heavens shall praise thy wondrous works : and thy truth in the congregation of the saints, alleluya, alleluya. **C.** Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father, alleluya : Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? Alleluya, alleluya.

727 St. John Baptist. *De ventre.* From the womb of my mother the Lord hath called me by my name : and hath made my mouth as it were a sharp sword ; beneath the shadow of his hand hath he hidden me, and hath made me like to a polished arrow. *Ps.* It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord : and to sing praises unto thy name, O Most Highest.

C. Before I formed thee in the belly, I knew thee : and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee. ℣. The Lord put forth his hand and

touched my mouth, and said unto me. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Among them that are born of women, a greater hath not risen than John the Baptist. **O.** The righteous shall flourish like a palm-tree : and shall spread abroad like a cedar in Libanus. **C.** And thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest : for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways.

728 St. Peter. *Nunc scio.* Now I know of a surety that the Lord hath sent his Angel : and hath delivered me from the hand of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews. *Ps.* And when Peter was come to himself, he said :

G. Thou shalt make them princes over all the earth : they shall have thy name in remembrance, O Lord. ℣. Instead of thy fathers thou shalt have children : therefore shall the people give thanks unto thee. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Thou art Simon Bar-Jona, and to thee hath been revealed the word of the Father ; not by flesh and blood, but by my Father which is in heaven. **O.** *As* 717. **C.** Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.

729 The Name of Jesus. *In nomine Jesu.* In the name of Jesus let every knee be bowed, of things above, and things in earth, and things beneath : and let every tongue confess and acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. *Ps.* O praise the Lord, for the Lord is gracious : sing praises unto his name, for it is lovely.

G. God the Father hath set Jesus Christ at his own right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion : and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come, and hath put all things under his feet. ℣. Help us, O God of

our salvation : and for the glory of thy name, O Lord, deliver us, and be merciful unto our sins, for thy name's sake. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. Sweet to the heart is the name of Jesus Christ : music to the ear, honey to the taste, which turns the heart to joy and praise, and puts to flight the despite of the world. **O.** In my name shall they cast out devils, they shall speak with new tongues ; they shall take up serpents : and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them ; they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover, alleluya. **C.** To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna : and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth, saving he that receiveth it, alleluya.

730 St. Michael and All Angels. *Benedicite Dominum.* O praise the Lord, all ye his Angels : ye mighty in power, that execute his commandment, and hearken unto the voice of his words. *Ps.* Praise the Lord, O my soul : and all that is within me, praise his holy name.

G. (*As Introit.*) **A.** Alleluya. ℣. In the presence of the Angels will I praise thee, O Lord my God. **O.** An Angel stood by the altar of the temple, having a golden censer in his hand : and there was given unto him much incense, and the smoke of the incense ascended up before God, alleluya. **C.** O ye Angels of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : sing ye praises and magnify him above all for ever.

731 All Saints. *Gaudeamus.* Rejoice we all, and praise the Lord, celebrating a holy day in honour of *All Hallows* : *in whose solemnity* the Angels are joyful, and glorify the Son of God. *Ps.* Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous : for it becometh well the just to be thankful.

On St. Mary Magdalene's Day, and other Saints' Days, the name of the Saint may be substituted ; and on the

lesser days of the Blessed Virgin may be substituted the Virgin Mary: for whose Conception (*or* Visitation, *or* Nativity).

G. O fear the Lord, all ye saints of his : for they that fear him lack nothing. ℣. But they that seek the Lord : shall want no manner of thing that is good. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. The saints shall judge the nations, and have dominion over the people : and their Lord shall reign for ever. **O.** O God, wonderful art thou in thy holy places : even the God of Israel, he will give strength and power unto his people; blessed be God, alleluya. **C.** The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there shall no torment touch them : in the sight of the unwise they seemed to die; but they are in peace.

732 For the Blessed Sacrament. *Cibavit eos.* He fed them also with the finest wheat flour, alleluya : and with honey from the rock hath he satisfied them, alleluya, alleluya, alleluya. *Ps.* Sing we merrily unto God our helper: make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob.

G. The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord : and thou givest them their meat in due season. ℣. Thou openest thine hand : and fillest all things living with plenteousness. **A.** Alleluya. ℣. My Flesh is meat indeed, and my Blood is drink indeed : he that eateth my Flesh and drinketh my Blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him. **O.** The priests of the Lord do offer the offerings of the Lord made by fire and the bread of their God : therefore they shall be holy unto their God, and not profane the name of their God, alleluya. **C.** As often as ye do eat of this Bread, and drink of this Cup, ye do show the Lord's death till he come : wherefore, whosoever shall eat of this Bread, and drink of this Cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the Body and Blood of the Lord, alleluya.

733 IN COMMEMORATION OF THE DEPARTED. *Requiem eternam.* Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord : and may light perpetual shine upon them. *Ps.* Thou, O God, art praised in Sion : and unto thee shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem; thou that hearest the prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come. (*The* Gloria *is omitted.*)

G. Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and may light perpetual shine upon them. ℣. Let their souls dwell at ease : and their seed inherit the land. *Or this* **G.** Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil : for thou, O Lord, art with me. ℣. Thy rod and thy staff, they have been my comfort. **T.** (*Day of Burial.*) Like as the hart desireth the water brooks : so longeth my soul for thee, my God. ℣. My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God : when shall I come to appear before the presence of God? ℣. My tears have been my meat day and night : while they daily say unto me, Where is now thy God? **T.** (*Other occasions.*) Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord : Lord, hearken unto my voice. ℣. O let thine ears consider well the supplication of thy servant. ℣. If thou, O Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss : Lord, who may abide it. ℣. For to thee belongeth mercy and compassion, and for thy Name's sake have I waited for thee, O Lord. **O.** (*General.*) O Lord Jesu Christ, King of Majesty, deliver the souls of all the faithful departed from the hand of hell, and from the pit of destruction : deliver them from the lion's mouth, that the grave devour them not; that they go not down to the realms of darkness : but let Michael, the holy standard-bearer, make speed to restore them to the brightness of glory : which thou promisedst in ages past to Abraham and his seed. ℣. Sacrifice and prayer do we offer to thee, O Lord : do thou accept them for the souls departed in whose memory we make this oblation : and grant them, Lord, to pass from death unto life : which thou promisedst in ages past to Abraham and his seed.

O. (*All Souls.*) O kind Creator, who hast recalled the first man to eternal glory : O Good Shepherd, who on thy loving shoulder hast brought again the lost sheep to the sheepfold : O just Judge, when thou shalt come for judgement, deliver from death the souls of them whom thou hast redeemed : nor give to the beasts the souls of them that confess thee, nor forsake them utterly for ever. **C.** (*Day of Burial, Anniversaries, All Souls.*) To them in whose memory the Body of Christ is received, grant, O Lord, rest everlasting. ℣. And may light perpetual shine upon them. To them in whose memory the Blood of Christ is received, grant, O Lord, rest everlasting. **C.** (*Other occasions.*) May light eternal shine, O Lord, upon them, for endless ages with thy blessed ones, for thou art gracious. ℣. Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and may light perpetual shine upon them : for endless ages with thy blessed ones, for thou art gracious.

THE GREAT ADVENT ANTIPHONS.

734 Dec. 16. *O Sapientia.* O Wisdom, which camest out of the mouth of the Most High, and reachest from one end to another, mightily and sweetly ordering all things : Come and teach us the way of prudence.

Dec. 17. *O Adonai.* O Adonai, and Leader of the house of Israel, who appearedst in the bush to Moses in a flame of fire, and gavest him the Law in Sinai : Come and deliver us with an outstretched arm.

Dec. 18. *O Radix Jesse.* O Root of Jesse, which standest for an ensign of the people, at whom kings shall shut their mouths, to whom the Gentiles shall seek : Come and deliver us, and tarry not.

Dec. 19. *O Clavis David.* O Key of David, and Sceptre of the house of Israel ; that openest, and

no man shutteth, and shuttest, and no man openeth : Come and bring the prisoner out of the prison-house, and him that sitteth in darkness and the shadow of death.

Dec. 20. *O Oriens.* O Day-spring, Brightness of Light Everlasting, and Sun of Righteousness : Come and enlighten him that sitteth in darkness and the shadow of death.

Dec. 21. *O Rex gentium.* O King of the Nations, and their desire; the Corner-stone, who makest both one : Come and save mankind, whom thou formedst of clay.

Dec. 22. *O Emmanuel.* O Emmanuel, our King and Lawgiver, the Desire of all nations, and their Salvation : Come and save us, O Lord our God.

Dec. 23. *O Virgo virginum.* O Virgin of virgins, how shall this be? For neither before thee was any like thee, nor shall there be after. Daughters of Jerusalem, why marvel ye at me? The thing which ye behold is a divine mystery.

AN ADVENT PROSE.

735 Rorate. *Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness.*

1. Be not wroth very sore, O Lord, neither remember iniquity for ever : thy holy cities are a wilderness, Sion is a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation : our holy and our beautiful house, where our fathers praised thee.

2. We have sinned, and are as an unclean thing, and we all do fade as a leaf : and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away; thou hast hid thy face from us : and hast consumed us, because of our iniquities.

3. Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord, and my servant whom I have chosen; that ye may know

me and believe me : I, even I, am the Lord, and beside me there is no Saviour : and there is none that can deliver out of my hand.

4. Comfort ye, comfort ye my people; my salvation shall not tarry : I have blotted out as a thick cloud thy transgressions : Fear not, for I will save thee : for I am the Lord thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Redeemer.

A LENT PROSE.

736 ATTENDE. *Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us : for we have sinned against thee.*

1. To thee, Redeemer, on thy throne of glory : lift we our weeping eyes in holy pleadings : listen, O Jesu, to our supplications.

2. O thou chief Corner-stone, Right Hand of the Father : Way of Salvation, Gate of Life Celestial : cleanse thou our sinful souls from all defilement.

3. God, we implore thee, in thy glory seated : bow down and hearken to thy weeping children : pity and pardon all our grievous trespasses.

4. Sins oft committed now we lay before thee : with true contrition, now no more we veil them : grant us, Redeemer, loving absolution.

5. Innocent, captive, taken unresisting : falsely accused, and for us sinners sentenced, save us, we pray thee, Jesu our Redeemer.

GOOD FRIDAY: THE REPROACHES.

737 O, my people, what have I done unto thee, or wherein have I wearied thee? Testify against me. Because I brought thee forth from the land of Egypt, thou preparedst a Cross for thy Saviour.

Holy God, Holy, Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy upon us.

2. Because I led thee through the desert forty years, and fed thee with manna, and brought thee into a land exceeding good, thou preparedst a Cross for thy Saviour.

3. What more could I have done unto thee that I have not done? I in sooth did plant thee, O my vineyard, with goodly clusters, and thou hast become exceeding bitter unto me: for vinegar, mingled with gall, thou didst give me when thirsty, and hast pierced with a spear the side of thy Saviour.

Behold the Cross displayed, whereon the Saviour of the world did hang: O come ye, let us worship.

We venerate thy Cross, O Lord, and praise and glorify thy holy Resurrection: for by virtue of the Cross joy hath come to the whole world.

Ps. 67. *Deus misereatur.* (*Without* Gloria.)

Hymns 95 *and* 96 (*Pt.* 1), *opening with the following verse* (*which is repeated after each verse as chorus*), *and ending with the Doxology and chorus.*

Faithful Cross! above all other,
One and only noble Tree!
None in foliage, none in blossom,
None in fruit thy peer may be;
Sweetest wood, and sweetest iron!
Sweetest weight is hung on thee.

EASTER GRAIL AND ALLELUYA.

At Evensong.

738 *Haec dies.*

℟. This is the day which the Lord hath made: we will be joyful and will be glad in it.

℣. O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious: and his mercy endureth for ever.

A. Alleluya. ℣. Christ our Passover is sacrificed.

AN EVENING RESPOND.

(*Suitable after a late Evening Service.*)

739 *In manus tuas.*

℟. Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

℣. Thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth.

℟. I commend my spirit.

℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

℟. Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

740 THE SAME, IN EASTERTIDE.

℟. Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit. Alleluya, alleluya.

℣. Thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth.

℟. Alleluya, alleluya.

℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

℟. Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit. Alleluya, alleluya.

AT THE HOLY COMMUNION.

741 *Benedictus.*

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

742 *Agnus Dei.*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

743 *Agnus Dei.*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant them rest.

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O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant them rest everlasting.

RUSSIAN CONTAKION OF THE DEPARTED.

Со святыми упокой, Христе

(Μετὰ τῶν ἁγίων ἀνάπαυσον, Χριστέ).

744 Give rest, O Christ, to thy servant with thy Saints : where sorrow and pain are no more ; neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Thou only art immortal, the Creator and Maker of man : and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and unto earth shall we return : for so thou didst ordain, when thou createdst me, saying, Dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return. All we go down to the dust ; and, weeping o'er the grave, we make our song : alleluya, alleluya, alleluya.

Give rest, O Christ, to thy servant with thy Saints, where sorrow and pain are no more ; neither sighing, but life everlasting.

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